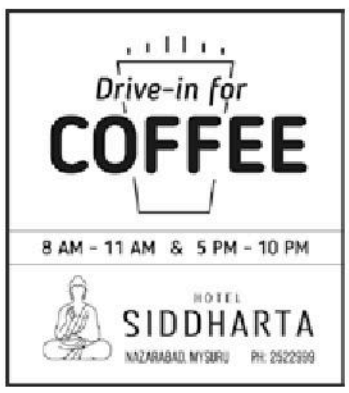

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Rafale fighter jet deal

SC rules out probe

Says it is satisfied with decision-making process by Modi Government

New Delhi, Dec. 14 (UNI)- In a big relief to the Narendra Modi Government, the Supreme Court (SC) this morning said that detailed scrutiny is not required in the Rafale fighter jet deal which was used as a major poll plank by the Opposition parties in the recent Assembly elections.

The judgement comes as a major vindication for Prime Minister Modi who was personally accused of corruption by Congress President Rahul Gandhi.

A Three-Judge Bench of the Apex Court, headed by Chief Justice of India (CJI) Ranjan Gogoi, also said that it did not find any substantial element to show that there is any "substantial favouritism" in the deal. "It is not the job of this Court to go into the differential pricing details, which must be kept confidential," the Bench ruled.

The Government had questioned the Court's expertise to review the Rs. 59,000-crore deal for 36 planes with French firm Dassault. There are numerous petitions filed before the Top Court seeking a Special Investigation Team (SIT) probe into the alleged Rafale deal. The petitions were filed by several prominent people — Prashant Bhushan, Manohar Lal Sharma, Arun Shourie, AAP MP Sanjay Singh, Vineet Dhanda and Yashwant Sinha.

Petitions demanding a Court-monitored investigation into the deal were filed after the Congress mounted a sharp attack on the Government alleging irregularities in the Rafale deal. The Congress has been accusing PM Modi and his Government of corruption and crony capitalism.

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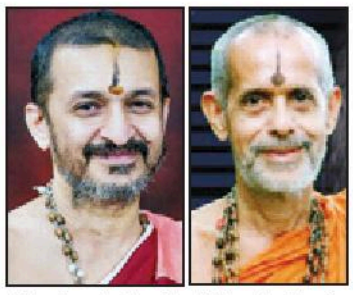
No more 'Made Snana' and

'Ede Snana' at Udupi Krishna Temple



Vidyadheesha Theertha Vishwesha Theertha

Udupi, Dec. 14- The controversial ritual of 'Made Snana', a dubious ritual as part of which people from the Scheduled Tribes and lower castes roll on the plantain leaves and food leftovers of lunch served to Brahmins in the temple town of Udupi in Dakshina Kannada district, has been banned. Even the 'Ede Snana' ritual has been banned by Sri Vidyadheesha Theertha Swamiji of Paryaya Sri Palimar Mutt.

The temple town of Udupi got rid of the age-old custom that is observed on the day of the Champa Shashti festival at Sri Krishna Mutt premises. Champa Shashti at the Subrahmanya Gudi in the Sri Krishna Mutt premises here was observed yesterday without the 'Ede Snana' ritual.

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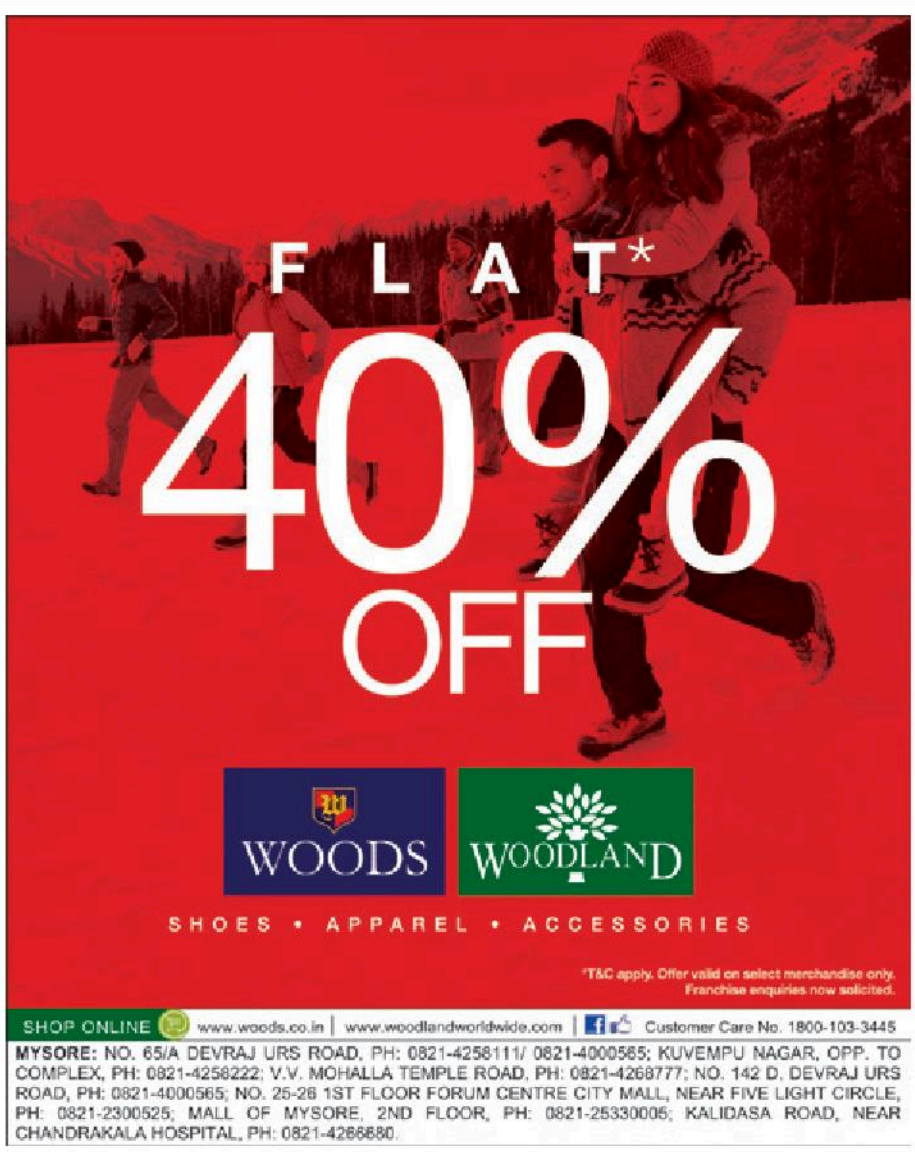
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Helping home-maker

Presence of women in fields, raising grains, filling the country's food basket from the stage of sowing to the stage of moving the harvested mass rid of the inedible dockage for stocking before turning it to a commodity in the land's commerce appears to have been taken for granted. The home-maker's untiring inputs in keeping the hearth glowing, cooking food, raw materials for producing tasty dishes, bearing children and caring for them, and to state briefly, play the role of a friend, philosopher and manager of the family's chief wage-earner also seem to have been taken for granted in society. Routine chores shouldered by the housewife from dawn to dusk, both as a duty and a responsibility, marked by love of the work and commitment, are said to become visible and get noticed only when she takes off, even for a day, if not for a few hours of the day. The virtual monetary value of the outcome of her work is well-nigh incalculable.

The extent of sweat and toil that go with the life of the rural housewife, both in the field and ill-ventilated dwellings has just been bestowed attention by the government given the provision of gas stoves and LPG to rural families across the country, while their urban counterparts are voicing their need for other inadequacies such as safety at work place, privacy, amenities and so on.

Enacting laws relating to safety of the females outside the boundary of their homes and implementing those laws without let up are different kettles of fish. Even stray incidents of violating the laws, including the unstoppable episodes of snatching gold chains from unwary women in the streets, don't portray the male sections of society in good light. The plight of women in the country's labour force working in unorganised sectors such as building construction, road-laying, domestic help and so on leaves much to be desired, particularly the sections that have neither a roof over their heads nor the basic facilities of a toilet.

The point made in a recent article in *The Economist* that if India's women were to *work* towards rebalancing its work force, the country would be 27 percent richer. Childcare and post-marriage responsibilities of the home-makers who take up jobs in offices and industrial establishments merit provision of creches and toilets during working hours as substantial help in raising their productivity.

EDITOR'S BOTTOMLINE

NO LOITERING : ***The Centre for Cultural Resources and Training (CCRT), which operates under the aegis of the Ministry of Culture, has prohibited its staff members from "straying" from their seats for more than 15 minutes; if they must move away, they must seek permission of a senior officer. In a note mailed to staff and also pinned on the notice board, director Chetan Singh said many of its officers were regularly found chitchatting in the corridors across their offices instead of being at their work stations. They have been urged to "take interest" in their work and be present at their "allocated seats." Otherwise, the productivity of the organisation would be affected adversely, said the notice.*** *— In Business Standard.*

NEWS SPARKLERS

Thai man goes under knife to look like Korean

Pattaya: A 25-year-old man from Thailand, has undergone 30 plastic surgeries since a couple of years to alter his appearance. He now looks like a Korean K-pop star.

Comparing photos of the man identified as Ratchadapong Prasit before and after he turned to plastic surgery, they look like two different people. Although, to be fair, Prasit had a lot more than that done to his face.

He reportedly underwent at least 30 cosmetic procedures over the course of two years, for which he spent around 300,000 Thai Baht ($9,100). But he claims it was worth every penny as it allowed him to completely change his life around, going from a shoe seller to a successful cabaret dancer at a theater in Pattaya. The ladies seem to love his new look as well.

Mother fakes son's kidnap to test her husband

Beijing: A mother faked the kidnapping of her son to test whether her husband really cared about her and their son.

The 33-year-old Chinese mother named Chen, who filed a fake missing persons report in Yueqing City, told the Police that her son had last been seen near his school and gave them a description of his clothes.

The kidnapping attracted national attention, particularly because of the 500,000 yuan ($72,000) reward offered by the family for any information about the boy's whereabouts,.

Five days into the search operations, Police stumbled on evidence that Chen had been lying from the very beginning. Chen was detained and charged with "creating and deliberately spreading false information".

11-year-old Huang was found safe and sound in the care of a relative all along.

HEALTH CAPSULE by Bron Smith

What's a good natural remedy for sinus congestion?

Try saline nasal irrigation. Add 1/4 tsp of sea salt to a mug of slightly warm water. Standing over a sink, inhale the water into both nostrils and allow it to drain from your nose and mouth into the sink. Rinse morning and night. Saline rinses are a simple, effective method of relieving sinus symptoms.

** Health Capsules is not intended to be of a diagnostic nature.*

Awareness programme on MSME Delayed Payment Act-2006

Mysuru, Dec. 14- An awareness programme on MSME Delayed Payment Act-2006 for the recovery of Small Scale Industries Dues from their Buyers is jointly organised by MSME-DI, Bengaluru and Directorate of MSME, District Industries Centre, Mysuru, Mysore Industries Association (MIA) and MSME Council on Dec. 18 at 10.30 am at Lalitha Sabhangana of Vidya Vikas Institute of Engineering and Technology on Bannur Road in city.

This programme will be inaugurated by Gunjan Krishna, Commissioner of MSME Directorate, Government of Karnataka. Vasu, ex-MLA and President of MIA, will preside.

R. Raju, Vice-President, KASSIA, H.M. Srinivasa, Additional Director, MSME, D.K. Lingaraju, Joint Director, DIC, Piyush Agarwal, Deputy Director, Ministry of MSME, New Delhi and Ravi Koti, President, MSME Council, will be the chief guests.

Officers of Industries Departments, Industry Association office-bearers and Industries from Mysuru, Mandya, Kodagu, Dakshina Kannada, Udupi, Hassan, Chikkamagalur, Chamarajanagar Districts, who purchase from Micro and Small Scale Manufacturers and Service Providers can participate in this programme.

The Facilitation Council will assist Micro & Small Enterprises in the recovery of their dues from Medium & Large Industries, PSUs, State & Central Government Departments towards the supplies made to them which is affecting the working capital requirement and eventually resulting in sickness and closure of these MSMEs.

Interested participants are requested to register before Dec. 16 through *www.msmemysuru.com*, says MSME Council General Secretary Suresh Kumar Jain. For more details call Mob:8217647961 or 9986444654.

Rly. Pensioners Day on Dec. 17

Mysuru, Dec.14 - Railway Pensioners Welfare Association has organised Pensioners Day on Dec.17 at Association's Manuel Hall, Seshadri Iyer Road, Mysuru at 11 am.

President of the Association G. Armugam will preside, according to a press release from the Association.

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VOICE OF THE READER

Need to create a stress-free road traffic environment

Sir,

Lot more needs to be done to reduce the extremely high noise pollution from other vehicular sources. Mainly the powerful horns being used by trucks, buses and even those vehicles ferrying school children who incessantly blow the horn to drive away (scare away) the traffic and for school vans and buses to announce their impending arrival to the children.

The increasing nuisance of motorbikes with modified silencers so as to create a loud noise and using car horns needs to be urgently curbed. Dr. Chaduranga Road had a few such bikes which is extremely disturbing.

You have of course car owners who reach home late in the evening and blow the horn at their gates, with least concern to the neighbours, so that they are attended to by their family members who are expected to rush to the gate and open it for the head of the family.

This high level of noise has a huge damaging effect on the health of all citizens and it is important that severe action is taken on those using and also selling these high intensity horns.

In addition to that people have to be made aware that driving with the horn being used to ensure their accident free ride is not an acceptable social behaviour and should be penalised just like driving with high beam is considered an unsafe practice.

In fact there are no guidelines for driving etiquette and safe driving rules which if inculcated in the younger generation and at the time of issue of driving licence would go a long way in reducing the number of road accidents and consequent loss of lives.

Just a crash helmet drive is not going to help, particularly if those indulging in rash and negligent driving, are not concerned about their own safety. It is time the focus is shifted to bring an overall improvement in the driving discipline so as to prevent accidents rather than save lives post-accidents.

—Rohit Mehta

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JSS announces results of UG Semester exams

Mysuru, Dec.14- JSS College of Arts, Commerce and Science (Autonomous), B.N. Road, Mysuru, has announced the results of undergraduate semester examinations held in October/ November 2018. The results are available in the college website: *http://www.jsscacs.edu.in* or *www.result.jsscacs.edu.in.*

Last date for re-totaling is Dec. 15; last date for Photocopy- Dec.15 and last date for re-valuation - Dec.20, according to a press release from Prof. M. Mahadevappa, Principal.

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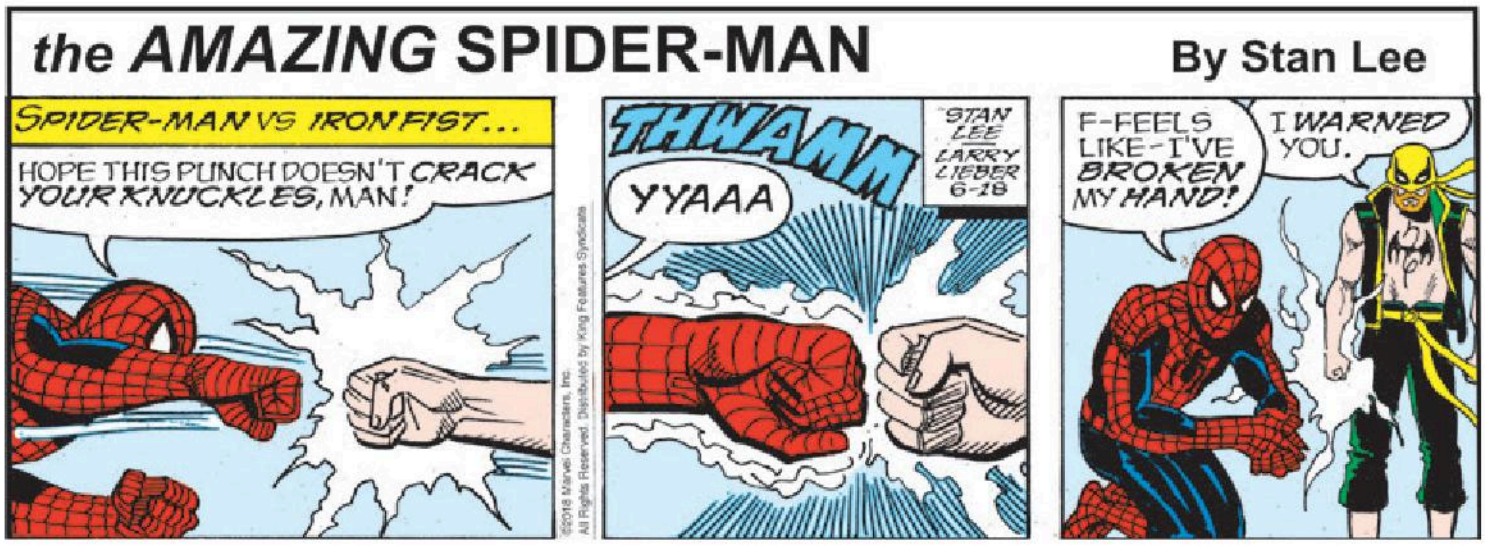
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NEWS BRIEFS

Happiness programme

Sri Ravishankar Guruji's Art of Living will conduct weekend residential happiness programme from Dec.14 to 16 by International Faculty Divyapaadaji at Guruji Ashrama in Mysuru. Timings: 14th - 6 pm to 8.30 pm; 15th & 16th - 7.30 am to 4 pm. For details contact Mob: 81976-37800.

Ayurveda camp for pregnant women

A lecture programme for pregnant women on maintaining good health and foetal health will be held at Government Ayurveda College in city at 11 am on Dec.18 and Dec.19. Interested pregnant women can register for the camp at OPD section of Ayurveda College Hospital on Sayyaji Rao Road. For more details call Mob: 94812-09047, according to a press release from the College.

Certificate course in Panchakarma

Under the SCP/TSP scheme, the Government Ayurveda Medical College has invited applications from eligible SC/ST candidates for undergoing a 3-month certificate course in Panchakarma. SSLC passed candidates from SC/ST communities can apply. Admission is limited to 30 candidates from SC community and 12 candidates from ST community. For details, call Mob: 98451-12305, according to a press release.

Police Complaints Authority member

The Police Complaints Authority, Mysuru District, has invited applications from eligible citizens for appointment as a new member of the Authority from civil society quota. The appointment will be for a 3-year period and can be extended further. The applicants must be Indian citizens having made a mark in health sector and upliftment of backward classes. Also, they must not be associated with any political party or ideological groups and should not have any criminal or anti-social background. Those eligible can apply along with bio-data at the Mysuru Deputy Commissioner's Office before Dec.20, according to a press release.

Calling Kuruba community students

Sri Kanaka Employees Welfare Association, Nanjangud Taluk, has invited applications from students of Kuruba community who have scored above 60 per cent marks in the recently held SSLC and PUC exams for Prathiba Puraskar for the year 2018. Those eligible may contact the President (98456-32473) or Secretary (97392-58545) or Treasurer (99023-16832) and submit the forms before Dec.20.

Government mulling to hike salaries of guest lecturers

Belagavi, Dec.14 (KMS&DM)- Maintaining that the Government is mulling to hike salaries of guest lecturers, Higher Education Minister G.T. Devegowda said that guest lecturers working in First Grade Colleges had been given five years of age relaxation that would help them apply for vacant posts of lecturers in Government colleges.

G.T. Devegowda

Replying to a question raised by MLCs Hanumanth Nirani, S.L. Bhojegowda, Ayanur Manjunath and others during the question hour in the Legislature Council yesterday, Devegowda said measures have been taken to pay wages as per the rules of the University Grants Commission (UGC). Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy will also hold a meeting with the Finance Department and address the salary issue in respect of guest lecturers.

Continuing, Devegowda said there were 12,674 guest lecturers working in 412 Government First Grade Colleges across the State.

The Government has released Rs.80 crore for their salaries, of which Rs.60 crore had been paid and Rs.20 crore would be paid soon.

On complaints that guest lecturers were working for meagre salaries for over a decade, the Minister said that the salaries which were earlier in the range of Rs. 9,500 to Rs.11,500, were increased to Rs.11,000 to Rs. 13,000.

Devegowda further added that the Government was working on plans for providing job security to guest lecturers.

Birth Certificate copy to be issued free of cost: DC

Mysuru, Dec.14- From now on, parents will get the birth certificate copy of their child free of cost.

Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar who chaired a meeting of Birth-Death Registration Coordination Committee at his office here on Wednesday, directed the officers concerned to give a copy of birth certificate to the parents free of cost.

Presently, the authorities are charging Rs.10 per copy of birth certificate.

Stressing on the need to create awareness among people on the issue, he instructed the officers to ensure that there is no delay in registration of births.

Noting that registration of births and deaths via e-online software had not yet achieved 100 percent progress, the DC warned the officers to be careful while handling cases of adoption and name corrections.

The DC also directed the officials to thoroughly scrutinise the place, date and time of death mentioned in the post-mortem report in case of unnatural deaths, before noting down the same in the register.

DHO Dr. B. Basavaraj, Women and Child Welfare Department Deputy Director K. Radha, District Statistical Officer Shivamma, Assistant Officer Rangaswamy and other officials were present.

GPS device mandatory in public service vehicles from Jan. 1

Bengaluru, Dec.14-The Ministry of Road Transport and Highways has mandated Global Positioning System (GPS) device and panic (emergency) buttons in all public service vehicles, registered on or after January 1, 2019. A circular has been sent to all State Transport Department Principal Secretaries and Transport Commissioners in this regard.

The circular has mentioned that all public transport vehicles must compulsorily install these devices. It has also directed that the respective States must set up control rooms to monitor the movement of vehicles.

The Centre has exempted all public service vehicles registered up to December 31, 2018, provided that after the expiry of the time-period of the exemption specified, the concerned State or Union Territory will notify the date for compliance of requirements, said the circular.

After the Nirbhaya incident in Delhi, the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways had made it compulsory for all public transport vehicles with more than 23 seats to install CCTV cameras.

An order was passed by the Centre in 2016-17 and continuing in 2018, on Apr.1, it had made compulsory to install GPS device and Panic Buttons in all public transport vehicles, excluding autorickshaws.

However, including Karnataka, since most of the States did not have Command and Control Room facilities, the implementation of the Order was postponed to Apr.1, 2019.

In the meantime at a meeting, the Central Government said that the States may take services from GPS manufacturers till the backend systems are set up in the States.

In this background the Ministry of Road Transport and Highways issued this order.

The installation of GPS device will help in tracking the movement of public transport vehicles and the tax violating vehicles.

By installing the panic button, the safety of the passengers is assured.

BSY questions Disneyland venture at KRS

Belagavi, Dec.14 - Attacking the JD(S)-Congress coalition Government for it's proposal to construct a Disney land-like amusement park at KRS Dam, leader of the Opposition and State BJP President B.S. Yeddyurappa (BSY) questioned the government's seriousness in completing the existing reservoir project.

Yeddyurappa

BSY asked Minister D.K. Shivakumar "What is your priority? Constructing a statue of Cauvery and creating a Disney land-like park at KRS or completing long-pending project like Alamatti?"

Replying to BSY, **D.K. Shivakumar, defending the park proposal, maintaining that the Government will not spend a rupee on the proposed Disneyland-like project near the KRS Dam.**

Pointing out that the Government was ready to have a separate discussion on irrigation projects in the ongoing Legislature session, Shivakumar reiterated that the Government was willing to raise the Alamatti Dam height to 524.25 mts and added that the project was getting delayed due to a Supreme Court stay order on Krishna Tribunal award.

TEASER By N. Prakash

CM to inaugurate State-level Pratibha Karanji & Kalotsava in city tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec.14 (PM&NNN)- The State-level Pratibha Karanji and Kalotsava will be held from Dec.15 to 17 in Muktagangothri (Karnataka State Open University) premises and 51 students from each District, numbering 1,734 will be participating in different competitions, said Deputy Commissioner Abhiram G. Sankar.

H.D. Kumaraswamy

He was addressing a press conference at the DC Office here on Wednesday and said that the District Administration and Department of Education is jointly organising this three-day event.

This is one of the major events of the Education Department. Students from eighth to tenth standard will participate in Pratibha Karanji, while students from ninth to twelfth standard will participate in Kalotsava competitions. The students who have participated in both the competitions at the District-level and stood first will participate in the State-level competitions, he said.

Pratibha Karanji is an individual competition where there will be elocution contest in 10 languages — Kannada, English, Hindi, Sanskrit, Urdu, Marathi, Telugu, Tamil, Tulu and Konkani; Arabic and Sanskrit recitation; Janapadageethe, Bhavageethe, Bharatanatyam, fancy dress competition, extempore, mimicry, debate, rangoli and ghazal competitions. Kalotsava group competitions include dance, music, drama and visual arts, he said.

There will be 170 nodal officers and teachers with five from each district. Accommodation and food will be provided to the participants and caterers have been selected through e-tendering process. Separate arrangements have been made for boys and girls.

The girl students will stay at Satya Sai School, Nirmala Convent, Basaveshwara Samudaya Bhavan, Srirama Samudaya Bhavan, Mulakanadu Samudaya Bhavan and JSS Educational Institutions in Saraswathipuram while the boys will be accommodated at Mahajana School, Chinmaya Vidyalaya, Lalitha High School, Rotary Brindavan School, Taralabalu Educational Institutions, Indira High School and Mahabodhi Educational Institutions. Temporary toilets have been arranged in all these places and for those who are making own arrangements for the stay, Rs.20,000 has already been paid in advance.

Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy will inaugurate the programme on Dec.15 at 11 am at the Muktagangothri main stage. Higher Education Minister G.T. Devegowda and Tourism Minister S.R. Mahesh will be the guests. MLA L. Nagendra will preside. Mayor Pushpalatha Jagannath, Zilla Panchayat President Nayeema Sultana, MPs Pratap Simha, R. Dhruvanarayan, L.R. Shivarame Gowda and other people's representatives will participate.

Transport arrangements have been made to ferry the students from their place of stay to the competition venue with the help of private educational institutions. A website *www.pratibhakaranji.co.in* has been created for smooth conduct of the events, the DC said.

Rs. 8.10 lakh cash awards

Just half-an-hour after the competition, the winners list will be declared. A health centre and ambulance facility has been arranged. The students' parents must make their own food and accommodation arrangements. In all, 21 individual prizes will be given. First prize is Rs.10,000, second Rs. 5,000 and third prize Rs.3,000. Likewise in the four team competitions, first prize is Rs.60,000, second Rs.30,000 and third Rs.18,000. A total of Rs. 8.10 lakh cash awards will be presented, said S. Mamatha, DDPI, Mysuru, District.

Rs. 65.42 lakh grant

To organise the State-level Pratibha Karanji and Kalotsava, the government is going to give Rs. 65,42,000 grant. Out of this, Rs.62,39,500 has been released. To maintain cleanliness in Muktagangothri campus amount has been deposited. All contestants will be provided with separate codes. In order to protect the secrecy of the winners and for the judges to give unbiased results, D-code (code number) will be given. Care will be taken to see that the judges do not have background information regarding the participants, said DC Abhiram G. Sankar.

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Food at its best Form

City-based CFTRI and DFRL come up with innovative products like 'Coffee in 30 Seconds', Nutri-rich Kokum Jelly Candy

Mysuru, Dec. 14 (UNI&OSR)- Over 2,000 food scientists from across the country and abroad are participating in the Mega Food Convention which began on Dec.12 as part of the Eighth International Food Convention IFCoN 2018 at KSOU Convocation Hall here.

The event is organised by Association of Food Scientists and Technologists (India) (AFSTI) in association with CSIR-CFTRI (Council of Scientific and Industrial Research-Central Food Technological Research Institute) and DRDO-DFRL (Defence Research and Development Organisation-Defence Food Research Laboratory).

Food Safety and Standards Authority of India (FSSAI), New Delhi and the Union Ministry of Food Processing Industries are extending their support to the two-day food expo at CFTRI campus.

The exhibition will conclude today while the Convention will end tomorrow. Thousands of school children and residents of Mysuru are thronging the stalls to know about the latest innovations in food technologies.

COFFEE IN 30 SECONDS

Among the products that have been displayed at the exhibition is CFTRI's "Coffee in 30 Seconds" where coffee cubes instantly get dissolved in water or milk. Interestingly, the cubes get mixed even in cold water or milk, giving that perfect taste preferred by coffee connoisseurs.

Explaining the product to a host of visitors, Dr. Pushpa Murthy, senior scientist at CFTRI said that the product that has been packed in small sachets was similar to sugar cubes and would get easily dissolved. The product captures the taste and aroma of coffee along with health benefits of green coffee extract. They are rich in dietary acids that improve immunity.

The coffee cubes are light weight, weighing up to 6 grams and are of low calories. They are pre-sweetened and are free from artificial colour and flavour. Dr. Pushpa said that the shelf-life of this instant coffee is six months. "As it is a pre-sweetened product, there is no need to add sugar. However, it is left to the choice of the consumer," she said. One cube is enough to prepare a cup of coffee, she added. She said that her team of scientists have been working on coffee products for the past three years, as part of Science Engineering Research Board (SERB)-funded project. Instant coffee cube production is one among the five products in the making while others are Green Coffee, Carbonated Coffee, Nutri Coffee and Pro-Biotic Cold Coffee.

PREMIUM PRODUCT TO BOOST ENDURANCE

CFTRI has developed a food product that is free from preservatives and that can increase endurance levels in a natural way. The product that is ready for clinical trials can be used by athletes, sports personalities and fitness freaks to improve their strength and stamina.

The product has been prepared from naturally available food items that provide both nutritional and functional benefits. The product's composition has not been revealed as it has to be approved by Process Development and Research Utilisation Committee (PDRUC) of the CFTRI.

CFTRI sources said that the product has anti-oxidant and anti-inflammatory properties. It must be consumed in three phases and has energy-boosting components that suits different stages — pre-workout, during workout and post-workout. The product is free from preservatives and can supplement energy soon after the physical activity.

NUTRITION-RICH JELLY CANDY

A food start-up which got CFTRI technology to prepare Kokum (Punarpuli) jelly candy launched the product at the expo. The use of Kokum extract makes the jelly nutritional and naturally safe. These candies are aimed at children whose diet requires high calories, say food scientists.

Kokum jelly candy is made from the extracts of dried kokum (garcinia indica) along with sugar, pectin, liquid glucose, and sodium benzoate. The bright colour comes from natural kokum juice. There is no artificial colour, no synthetic flavour, no synthetic acidulant and no hazardous food additives added to the jelly.

Traditionally, Kokum is used is an acidulant in many Indian dishes. It has anti-oxidant and appetite stimulant properties; helps in digestion and fights cholesterol besides improving skin health. Kokum has anti-ageing properties and helps in weight loss besides acting as a digestive product. It is a nutritionally superior and microbiologically safe jelly, scientists said.

BIO-DEGRADABLE PLASTIC AND EDIBLE CUTLERY

City-based Defence Food Research Laboratory (DFRL) has developed biodegradable plastic. Gopal Kumar Sharma, Associate Director, DFRL, said that the technology has been patented and many industries are in talks for technology transfer and absorption.

The product is made of additive mixed plastic and once used even the traces of cutlery will not remain. It will degrade into microbes as and when it is disposed. The technology had been developed for the Armed Forces stationed at high altitudes or deployed in sensitive areas. Given the exigency of the situation in these areas, clearing of accumulated waste is not a priority. This led the DFRL to experiment and develop alternative packaging material that is biodegradable, he said.

The material that has been developed has additive and when exposed to sunlight and UV rays, it degrades and disintegrates to powder and allows microbes to act on it and decompose it. The technology has been already bought by nine industries, including one in Mysuru and Hyderabad and also in Tamil Nadu and two in Bengaluru.

ICE CREAM CONE FROM JACKFRUIT RIND

Indian Institute of Food Processing Technology (IIFPT), Tanjavoor in Tamil Nadu will soon introduce to the market edible ice cream cone produced from jackfruit rind, which is rich in fibre and proteins.

The 'rind' or exterior of the compound or aggregate fruit is green or yellow when ripe and composed of numerous hard, cone-like points attached to a thick and rubbery, pale yellow or whitish wall.

The ice cream has low glycemic index and is lactose-free and can be consumed by people with diabetes. The IIFPT had earlier introduced a non-dairy millet ice cream. While the millet-ice cream supplies nutrition, the jackfruit cone supplies fibre and protein.

Generally, only 30% of a jackfruit is used and the remaining is discarded as waste. If the rind is used to make cones, this will be beneficial to the farmers and at the same time, the product will address nutritional needs.

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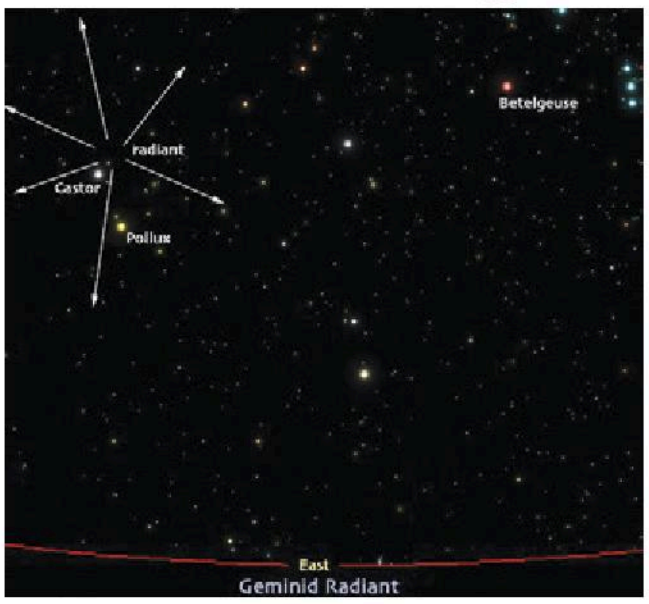
ASTRONOMY

'Geminid' Meteor Shower tonight



A 'shooting star' or 'meteor' is caused by a tiny particle of dust entering Earth's atmosphere. As it plunges downward, it experiences collision with air molecules, and the friction generated causes the particle to glow and eventually burn up completely. Most meteors burn up at altitudes of around 100 km. It is an exceptional celestial manifestation for sky observers that the extravagant yearly 'Geminid' showers will illuminate the night sky during Dec.13 - 15. The Geminids are beautiful, prolific and reliable shower.

On Dec. 14 and 15, Indians are fortunate to witness the dazzling Geminid meteor showers. Dry, clear air will help a lot with the lunar glare, but it will be difficult to achieve maximum rates of 20 Geminids/hour even at the best sites.

Geminids are medium-speed meteors. The shower has a skew rate profile, with activity dropping speedily after maximum. At the same time, the proportion of bright meteors is higher during and after maximum than on pre-maximum nights. The Geminids are worth watching for one or two mornings before the peak; there will be slightly less moonlight interference, and some locations will get a short moonless period before morning twilight.

In other parts of the world, such as Europe, Asia and Australia, the Geminid peak will come during local daylight hours. Still, observers in these parts of the world should see a very good meteor display on the night of Dec. 13-14, with rates of about one meteor per minute likely. This time in India Geminids are clearly visible in the night sky during 2 am to 4 am.

A productive Geminid watch can actually begin as early as 10 pm because the showers radiant is already fairly high in the eastern sky by then. The Geminids will be especially noticeable right after the Moon sets.

—Dr. S.A. Mohan Krishna,
Amateur Astronomer

Inner Wheel District Meet

To focus on Kodagu rehabilitation measures, education, health of women and children

Dr. Vijayalakshmi

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Dr. Sarika Prasad

International Inner Wheel is women's largest NGO doing voluntary service across the world. Spread over 105 countries, 177 districts with more than 1,20,000 members in 4,000 clubs, it has representation in the United Nations Economic and Social Council (UNESCO).

Oliver Margarette Golding, a nurse, business woman and wife of Manchester Rotarian, started Inner Wheel Movement in 1924. Its objectives are:

1. To promote true friendship
2. To encourage ideals of personal service
3. To foster international understanding

Any woman who has passion for friendship and service can join the organisation. Members achieve these aims through Club events. Personal service is top priority and members find many ways to carry out projects in their local community.

Every three years, there is an International Inner Wheel (IIW) Convention organised by hosting Country Committee and IIW Governing Body where changes to the constitution are discussed and voted upon by the members. International Inner Wheel 2018-19 President is Christine Kirby of Australia, who has given the theme for the year as 'Women Empowerment and Evolve.'

Smitha Pingale from Pune, who is the President of Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India 2018-19, has called for deeper and wider growth of Inner Wheel in India. Association's Triennial Conference is held once in three years where debate on bye-laws with discussion of proposals and amendments to bring modifications will be voted by members. This year it will be held in Pune from Feb. 8 to Feb.10, 2019.

District 318 is one of the 27 districts of Association of Inner Wheel Clubs in India, which has 43 Clubs covering 8 revenue districts of Karnataka namely, Mysuru, Chamarajanagar, Kodagu, Hassan, Chikkamagalur, Shivamogga, Dakshina Kannada and Udupi. District Chairman Dr. Sarika Prasad has emphasised on Kodagu rehabilitation measures, education, health of women and children.

Inner Wheel District Conference 2018-2019 'HRUDAYA SANGAMA' will be held at Shubhodini Convention Centre on Dec.15 and 16. The inaugural event is on 15th at 5 pm with Dr. Vijayalakshmi Balekundri, Cardiologist and Columnist as chief guest and Rtn. Abhinandan Shetty, District Governor, International Rotary District 3182, as guest of honour. Many delegates have registered and important deliberations will take place at the conference.

—Pushpa Gururaj,
District Secretary 2018-19

AIISH Graduation Day tomorrow

Bangalore North University VC to deliver the Graduation Address

Mysuru, Dec. 14-The All India Institute of Speech and Hearing (AIISH) will hold its Graduation Day on Dec.15 in the Seminar Hall, Knowledge Park, Naimisham campus at 4.30 pm.

Prof. T.D. Kemparaju, Vice-Chancellor of Bangalore North University, will deliver the Graduation Day address. Prof. J. Shashidhara Prasad, former Vice-Chancellor, Mysore University, will present the gold medals. Prof. R. Rangasayee, Chair-Audiology Committee, International Association of Logopedic and Phoniatrics, will administer the oath. Prof. M. Pushpavathi, Director, AIISH will preside.

On the occasion, certificates will be awarded to outgoing graduate, post-graduate, doctoral and post doctoral students in the field of speech and hearing. About 100 students are expected to receive their degrees.

The institute started with one post-graduate programme in the year 1966 now offers many courses including 3 Diploma programs (Diploma in Hearing Aid & Earmould Technology, Diploma in Training Young Hearing Impaired Children and Diploma in Hearing Language and Speech-through distance mode); 2 undergraduate programmes (B.ASLP and B..Ed. Sp.Ed. - Hearing-Impairment); PG Diploma in Clinical Linguistics and Forensic Speech Science and Technology; 3 Post-graduate courses (M.Sc. in Audiology, M.Sc. in Speech-Language Pathology and M.S.Ed-Hearing-Impairment). The Institute offers Ph.D programmes in Audiology and Speech-Language Pathology and also Post-Doctoral Fellowships.

Gita Jnana Yajna in English from Dec. 15 to Dec. 21

Aparajitananda

Mysuru, Dec.14- Chinmaya Mission, Mysuru, has organised a week-long yajna on the 17th Chapter of Bhagavad Gita from Dec. 15 to Dec. 21 at Sri Sringeri Shankara Mutt, Fort Mohalla, Mysuru. The yajna will be in English between 6.30 pm and 8 pm.

The yajnaacharya is a well-known person to Mysureans as Br.Sujay Chaitanya, as he was the resident acharya of Chinmaya Mission, Mysuru for two years. He has conducted many Jnana Yajnas in English in Karnataka and in other places too. After his initiation into Sanyasa early this year, he is now known as Pujya Sw.Aparajitananda. Swamiji's fluency in the language, deep knowledge of Vedanta, ability to translate that knowledge into common man's understanding, melodious rendition of Bhajans and a very pleasant demeanor has won the hearts of the spiritual fraternity of our city who eagerly look forward to his discourses.

Starting from Sunday (Dec.16), there will be mass chanting of Vishnusahasranama, Bhajans, Stotrams from 6 pm to 6.30 pm. For details contact Ph: +91 821 2413601.

Inter-School Quiz contest winners

Mysuru, Dec.14- An Inter-School Quiz contest was conducted by JSS Public School, Siddarthanagar recently.

Dr. Javeed Nayeem, who was the chief guest, spoke at length about the need for youngsters to serve the rural people once at least in their life time and insisted on students to read books as its is a rich source of treasure.

He encouraged the students to respect elders and do kind deeds unto others. In all, 14 schools took part in the quiz competition. Kautilya Vidyalaya won the quiz while Excel Public School were the runners-up.

Tanmayee Yatish and Sameeksha Aradhya Math conducted the quiz along with Anuradha Singh. S. Niranjan and G. Anurag Gowda were the score-keepers. Koushal Raj was the time-keeper. Apeksha P. Chakravarthy compered the show. Saniha S. Jain welcomed. Rutu Gowri proposed a vote of thanks, according to B. Latha, JSS Public School Principal.

Book on Kodagu flood victims released

***Somaiah** (third from right), **father of a flood victim, seen releasing the book 'Kathe Heluve Nanna' as** (from left) **Kodagu Superintendent of Police Dr. Suman D. Pennekar, author Ravi Pandavapura, senior journalist Ananth Chinivar, Somaiah's wife K.S. Jayanthi, sons K.S. Darshan and K.S. Roshan, Kodagu Press Club President Ajjamada Ramesh Kuttappa and Publisher Abhiruchi Ganesh look on.** [Pic. by Pragathi Gopalakrishna]*

Mysuru, Dec.14 (RK&NNN)- "The search for my daughter Manjula whose life was lost during the landslide and floods on Aug.17 at Jodupala where she was studying in my sister Gowramma's house is still going on. I live in a tribal area and on that fateful day even after I came to know of the tragedy, I was not able to reach the place. It was only four days later that we were able to go there only to find that my sister and other members of the family had all died," recalled Somaiah, father of the flood victim Manjula from Kodagu.

He was sharing his experience after releasing the book *'Kathe Heluve Nanna – Kodagina Nonda Hrudayagalu… Midida Managalu'* written by journalist Ravi Pandavapura at the Rani Bahadur Auditorium here this morning and said that his daughter was a tenth standard student and he was still in search of her body.

Kodagu Superintendent of Police Dr. Suman D. Pennekar said that it was just one month before she had taken charge and this was a very new experience when the tragedy struck, which was very challenging.

"There were distress calls all around. But everyone be it the local guides, officials and the public rose to the occasion and supported us in those trying times. Even the Chief Minister, Deputy Chief Minister and Deputy Commissioner were with us. However, our first priority was to rescue those who were alive and only later we concentrated on recovering the dead bodies," she said.

Senior Journalist Ananth Chinivar spoke about the book. Kodagu Press Club President Ajjamada Ramesh Kuttappa presided. Somaiah's wife K.S. Jayanthi, sons K.S. Darshan and K.S. Roshan were present.

Abhiruchi Prakashna's Abhiruchi Ganesh who has published the book and author Ravi Pandavapura were also present. The 128-page book is priced at Rs. 105 and the proceeds of the book will go towards Kodagu Relief Fund.

No more 'Made Snana' and 'Ede Snana' at Udupi Krishna Temple

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In 2016, Vishwesha Theertha Swamiji of Pejawar Mutt, Udupi, had replaced the 'Made Snana' ritual with 'Ede Snana' during his Paryaya term. While 'Made Snana' is a practice where devotees roll over plantain leaves in which Brahmins have consumed food, 'Ede Snana' is a practice where devotees roll over food offered to the Lord. Later, the temple cows are offered the 'Prasadam' to complete the custom.

Aware of controversies surrounding the ritual and the media glare on the issue, Vidyadheesha Theertha Swamiji took the decision to do away with 'Ede Snana' ritual too yesterday. "I took this decision as there will be unnecessary controversies. Such rituals can be done away with for public good," he said. Yesterday, about four devotees performed 'Urulu Seve', a custom of rolling in front of the Subrahmanya Gudi.

Vishwesha Theertha said that neither 'Made Snana' nor 'Ede Snana' is inevitable for the religion. "I welcome the decision of Palimar seer" he said.

However, at Kukke Subrahmanya Temple in Dakshina Kannada district, about 320 devotees offered 'Ede Snana' to Lord Subrahmanya yesterday. At Sri Muchlukodu Subrahmanya Temple in Udupi that is managed by Sri Pejawar Mutt, some devotees came forward and performed 'Ede Snana'.

For the last five years, 'Made Snana' has become a major issue with people from various sections condemning the ritual. People, who perform 'Made Snana', believe that it cures their skin diseases. A few devotees also take vow to perform 'Made Snana' in case their wishes are answered in the temple.

The Karnataka Prevention and Eradication of Inhuman Evil Practices and Black Magic Bill, 2017, had banned the custom of any person rolling over on plantain leaves with food left over by other persons in any public or religious place as it violates human dignity.

CM to inaugurate two-day

District-level Brahmin convention tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec.14 (PM&DM)- CM H.D. Kumaraswamy will inaugurate a convention organised under the aegis of District Brahmin Association at Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama premises on Nanjangud Road at 10 am tomorrow (Dec.15).

Announcing this at a press meet here this morning, Mysuru Zilla Brahmana Yuva Vedike President H.N. Sridharamurthy said that the meet is being held to organise all community members in the district and bring them to mainstream society.

A memorandum will be submitted to the CM seeking benefits to economically weak community members.

Pointing out that the two-day meet will have a host of cultural events, he said that the event will also feature Brahmana Yuva Ghosti, Shobha Yatre, Vipra Pratibha Puraskara and an expo of Brahmin entrepreneurs, among others.

KSOU faculty Dr. Shelvapille Iyengar will inaugurate Brahmana Yuva Ghosti at 5 pm on Dec.15. Music Director K. Kalyan will preside.

A Shobhayatre will be taken out from Shankar Mutt premises to Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama at 7.30 am on Dec.16. A number of Tableaux and Cultural troupes will accompany the massive Shobhayatre.

An expo of Brahmin Entrepreneurs, featuring 40 stalls, will be on display. Also, meritorious students of the community in SSLC and PUC will be felicitated.

Rafale deal: SC rules out probe

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The Congress has alleged that the Centre scrapped a deal for 126 Rafale jets negotiated by the previous UPA government and entered an expensive new contract just to help Anil Ambani's defence company bag an offset partnership with the jet manufacturer Dassault.

Congress should tender apology: BJP

With the Supreme Court finding no 'irregularities' in purchase of Rafale jets, a buoyant BJP demanded that Congress president Rahul Gandhi tender apologies to countrymen for defaming the image of the country and Prime Minister Narendra Modi. BJP spokesperson Shahnawaz Hussain said in view of the verdict from the Apex Court, the Congress should tender an apology.

Union Home Minister Rajnath Singh tweeted, "The matter was crystal clear from the beginning and the allegations levelled by Congress are baseless and to gain political mileage."

"No Favouritism. No reason for the Court to intervene. Satyameva Jayate!" A lie exposed. Eminences wanting to blindly join anti-Modi chorus too stand exposed," BJP General Secretary Ram Madhav tweeted.

Guest lecturers stage protest

Mysuru, Dec. 14 (PM&SR)- Hundreds of guest lecturers working in various Government First Grade Colleges affiliated to University of Mysore staged a protest near DC Office this morning, demanding job security.

The protesters alleged that Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy had promised to provide job security to guest faculty in the poll manifesto but has failed to take any measures.

Stating that the Delhi government, which has provided job security to around 17,000 guest lecturers recently, they urged the Government to take similar measures before the ongoing winter session ends.

More than 13,000 lecturers, working in 411 First Grade Clleges are facing a bleak future as the Government has plans to appoint 3,000 new lecturers. The guest faculty are yet to get salaries for last semester, they said.

They said they are holding *Belagavi chalo* on Dec. 17 to pressurise the State Government and will lay siege Suvarna Soudha to disrupt the proceedings.

Office-bearers of the Association K. Somashekhar, P.M. Mahesh, M.H. Krishnamurthy, Hanumanthesha, J.C. Ravindra, Swamy, Shalini K.T. Latha, Shruthi, Asha, Latha, Priyadarshini, Veenakumari, Purnima and others were present.

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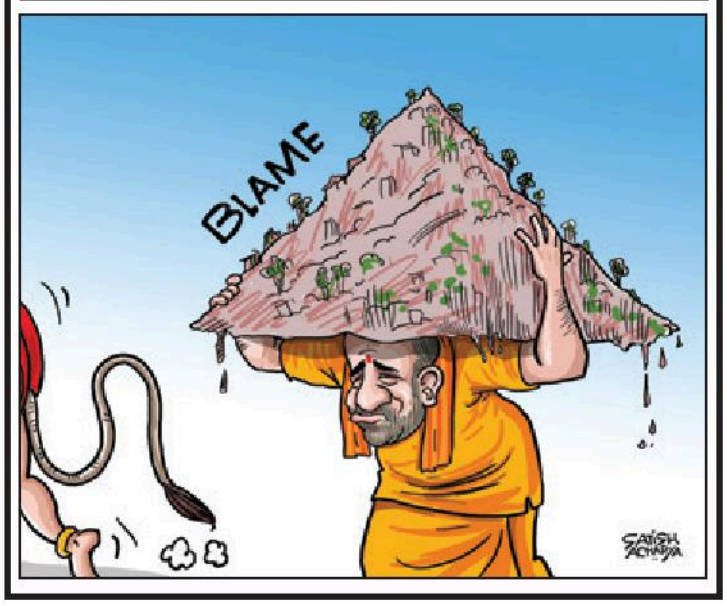

Priests' strike: Chaos at Chamundi Temple

Mad scramble of devotees to have *darshan;* priests, employees squat before temple

Priests staging protest in front of Chamundi Temple atop the Hill this morning. [Pic. by Pragathi Gopalakrishna]

Mysuru, Dec. 14 (MTY&BCT)- Over 250 priests, permanent and temporary employees of Sri Chamundeshwari Temple and other temples atop the Chamundi Hill, 18 Palace Temples and Tripurasundari Jwalamukhi Temple at Uthanahalli began their indefinite strike this morning.

The strike is being spearheaded by the Employees Association of Chamundi Temple, Palace Temples and other Temple Clusters in city. The employees and priests manage services at over 23 temples.

Chaos prevailed at the Chamundeshwari Temple atop the Chamundi Hill where hundreds of tourists had arrived. Today being a Friday, over 30 buses carrying devotees had come to have the *darshan* of presiding deity Goddess Chamundeshwari. Following the strike by priests and other allied staff, puja rituals were severely affected and the Temple Complex was taken over by the Police and private security guards.

There were no special ticket counters and all the devotees were allowed entry through the main gate and two lines were formed. Devotes were not allowed entry to the sanctum sanctorum and were stopped near the Garuda Sthamba.

There were no puja rituals and the Policemen and the security guards were seen pushing the devotees to finish the *darshan* fast. This irked devotees and some of them quarrelled with the Police. After performing their first puja as early as 5.30 am, priests squatted in front of the temple and shouted slogans against the State Government.

What began as a small strike grew big as hundreds of devotees made a beeline to have *darshan.* Cops had a tough time in controlling the crowd as there was only one entry and one exit to the Temple.

People who had come from faraway places to fulfil their vows including donation of sarees to the Goddess were confused as there was no one to receive the offerings. Some of the devotees were seen dumping the offerings, flowers, oil and coconut next to the Garuda Sthamba. Many dumped the offerings and puja materials outside the temple also and at the area where bhajans are conducted.

The protesting priests said that they will continue their agitation till the government fulfils their demands.

MLA raises issue in Session

Mysuru, Dec. 14 (MTY&BCT)- Krishnaraja MLA S.A. Ramdas raised the issue of priests' strike at the ongoing Winter Session of the State Legislature at Belagavi today. The MLA asked the Government what steps it has taken to fulfil the demands of employees in various Muzrai Department temples.

Ramdas

Muzrai Minister Rajashekar Patil said that among the workers of 23 temples in Mysuru, 75 are getting low wages and steps will be taken to implement the 5th Pay Commission recommendations.

Speaking to *Star of Mysore,* Ramdas said that the Muzrai Minister will hold a meeting with the 23 temple employees and their association leaders on Dec. 24 in Mysuru.

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BEFORE THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL-II
LIC, Jeevan Mangal Building, Residency Road, Bangalore – 560 001
O.A. No. 542/2017

Between
STATE BANK OF INDIA
Chamarajanagar – 571 313 APPLICANT
And
Smt. Komalavalli & Others.. .... .DEFENDANTS

SUMMONS ISSUED UNDER RULE 23(VII) OF THE DEBTS RECOVERY TRIBUNAL (PROCEDURE) RULES 1993 TO THE DEFENDANTS

Whereas the applicant has instituted an application under Section 19 of the Recovery of Debts Due to Banks and Financial Institutions Act, 1993 against you for the recovery of Rs. as mentioned therein together with interest and costs as claimed in the said application. You are hereby required to show cause within 30 days of the publication of this summons or before 8.2.2019 at 10.30AM in person or by a Pleader/Advocate duly instructed as to why the relief prayed for should not be granted.

Take notice that in the event of default the application will be heard and determined in your absence.

Given under my hand and seal of this Tribunal on this 30th day of November month of 2018.

By order of Tribunal
Sd/- Asst. Registrar Debt Recovery Tribunal Bangalore

Defendant No. 1 & 2
1 **Smt. Komalavalli**, D/o Sri. Annayya Pandaiah, Residing at Bovikarampi Village, Terakanambi Hobli, Gundlupet Taluk, Chamarajanagar District.
2 **Sri. K. Mahadevaswamy**, S/o. Late Sri. Nagappa, Residing at Kanasapa Village, Terakanambi Hobli, Gundlupet Taluk, Chamarajanagar District.

Sd/- Branch Manager
State Bank of India, Chamarajnagar

Date: 12.12.2018

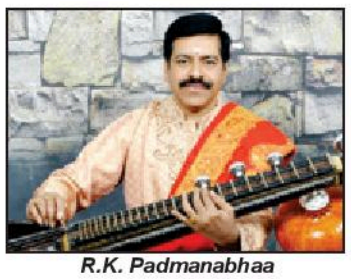
BHASANGE Balaga to host Veena recital in memory of S.R. Krishnamurthy on Dec. 16

Bhanuvaara Sanje Geleyara Balaga has organised a music programme in memory of noted art critic S.R. Krishnamurthy (SRK) on the occasion of his 5th death anniversary, on Sunday, 16th December at 6 pm at Vasudevacharya Bhavana, JLB Road, Mysuru.

Vidwan. R.K. Padmanabhaa will present Karnatak classical Veena recital accompanied by Vid. Kumara Swamy on mridanga and Vid. V. S. Ramesh on ghata.

Vidwan Padmanabhaa hails from a family of great musicians from past many generations. He is the son of renowned Mysore Asthana Vidwan R.S. Keshavamurthy. Padmanabhaa had a strong penchant for music in his tender age and got trained in vocal as well as Veena from his father. Endowed with rich talent, Padmanabhaa has distinction amongst the fellow artistes for his melodious play, mastery over the instrument and adroitly dexterous fingering techniques. One can find a blend of traditional and modernity in his rendition.

S.R. Krishnamurthy



R.K. Padmanabhaa

His Veena named, Kanaka Rajatha Saraswthi Akananda Veena, is primordial and priceless art craft of Vainika Praveena Bhakshi Subbanna, the guru of R.S. Keshavamurthy. The gold idol of Goddess Saraswathi has been installed in the Veena in accordance with the injunctions of Agama Shastra. The veena is exquisitely ornate of gold and silver. It is made of single log of jack wood hence called Akhanda Veena. The enchanting sound of this veena is very unique. Subbanna presented this veena to his beloved disciple R.S. Keshavamurthy with full of blessings. Padmanabhaa was fortunate enough to receive this sacred instrument from his elder brothers.

Padmanabhaa has been performing in various prestigious platforms across the globe and spreading the fragrance of Indian classical music. He has received Vainika Ratna, Veena Visharada, Veena Vaadana Chatura, Veena Swara Vilasi, Vainika Vidyabhushana and many other titles. Presently, Padmanabhaa is teaching Karnatak vocal and Veena thereby preparing the musicians of tomorrow.

BHASANGE Balaga solicits presence of all music-lovers.

—C.K.Sanjay Kumar

Harish Pandav's Saxophone concert at RAAGA on Saturday

Well-known Saxophonist Vid. Harish Pandav will be performing for Raaga Music Academy on Saturday the **15th at 5.30 pm at Prajna Kuteera Ayurveda Centre,** Kuvempunagar. An extremely talented and versatile artiste, Harish learnt music from Vid. N. Jayaram, Vid. H.A. Ningaraj Pandav and Nadaswara and Vid. K.N. Krishnamurthy of Kodiyala. Currently, he is under the tutelage of Vidu. Gayathri Sathyanarayana for Karnatak Classical vocal and saxophone.

Graded B at AIR, Harish is a gold medallist in M.Music from Dr. Gangubai Hangal Music and Performing Arts University and also a MA in Economics from the University of Mysore.

Playing this challenging wind instrument with ease and finesse, Harish has received several honours like Sri Sushameendra Kala Puraskara, Rajyotsava Award from Kannada and Culture Department, Kala Sourabha, Samskruthika Prathibe, to name a few. He has performed in various sabhas all over the country, which includes Youth Music Festival at Gayana Samaja, Bengaluru, JSS Sangeetha Sabha, Mysuru, Yuva Sourabha and Vid. Nethi Sriramulu Sharma Sangeetha Sabha, Hyderabad. He has also composed music for a Konkani film *'Anthu.'*

On Saturday, he is being accompanied by Vid. Surup Thathachar on violin, Vid. Vishnuvardhana on mridanga and Vid. Vikram Bharadwaj on ghata. Prior to the concert, Dr. N.V. Krishnamurthy, Director, PrajnaKuteera, will deliver a talk on Healthy Living through Ayurveda and Yoga, from 4.30 pm to 5.15 pm.

The concert is sponsored by 'The Roddams' in memory of their mother Yamuna Devi.

For more details contact Ph: 0821-2542069 or Mob:9449703610.

—Veena Arun Kumar

Rare drama-cum-musical extravangaza by Sugama Sangeetha Academy

Sugama Sangeetha Academy Trust, Mysuru, the brainchild of H.R. Leelavathi and her husband late S.G. Raghuram, took its birth in Mysuru on 19.5.1985 mainly with the object of promoting light classical music based on the poems written and popularised by dozens of poets and poetesses (to name a few, Da.Ra. Bendre, Kuvempu, K.S.N.Swamy, Pu.Ti.Na., G.S. Shivarudrappa and a versatile legion thereof). She herself is a well-known singer in this hireachy and has headed the State Sangeetha Nrithya Academy for three years. With the help and assistance of a few well-known connoisseurs of art and music in Mysuru, Leelavathi is carrying on the mantle with grace and aplomb.

The Academy arranges and promotes two or three annual programmes involving and encouraging young and talented artistes in the line and this present one is based on the popular Hindu Festivals like Ugadi, Gowri-Ganesh, Sankranthi and the like.

More than a hundred artistes, children, youth and elderly will form the cast of the beautiful drama that will unfold on the stage of Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha on the evening (5.30 pm) of **Saturday, the 15th Instant,** to mesmerise the connoisseurs.

The script, elegantly prepared by H.R. Leelavathi and her senior disciples, will showcase the confluence of elderly ladies and smart kids joining the rare drama-cum-musical extravangaza along with bringing out on stage the rare features of Hindu Festivals named above. The script and the music have been elegantly planned and the kids have been given extensive training during rehearsals. Top class instrument support has also been provided.

H.R. Leelavathi with late S.G. Raghuram

This is certainly a rare programme being put up by the Academy and richly deserves houseful participation of the cultural fraternity of the city.

—M.L. Krishnaswami

Vijayadashami Kavi Sammelana on Dec.16

Mysuru, Dec.14 - The Vijayadashami Kavi Sammelana organised by Venkatagiri Prakashana, Kuvempunagar, will be held on Dec.16 at 11 am at Maharaja Sanskrit College auditorium in city.

Sri Yoganarasimhaswamy Temple Founder Dr. Bhashyam Swamiji will grace the occasion. Poetess Dr. Vimalashree will inaugurate. Retired Principal Prof. N. Girigowda will preside. Dr. K.M. Mahadevaiah, Dr. K. Raghuram Vajapayee and litteratteur Vijayashankar will be the chief guests.

T.C. Vishveshwaraiah, Dr. Shahasina Begum, Dr. S.P. Yoganna, Kerodi Lolakshi, Dr. Chidananda, Sowgandhika V. Jois, Dr. Sachidananda, Dr. Chandrakala, Padmanabha and Swathi S. Nagarathna will read out their poems. H.R. Bhadreshkumar will moderate the session.

Nadaranjani music tomorrow

On behalf of the Birth Centenary of Violin Maestro Vid. P. Shamanna, a Nadaranjani music programme has been organised at Bidaram Krishnappa Rama Mandira in city tomorrow at 5.30 pm.

Vid. Shamanna

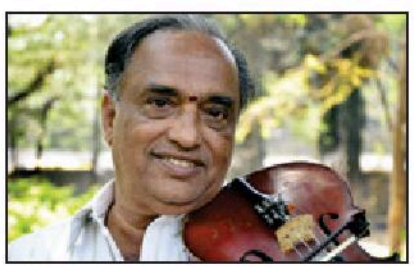
Shamanna was born in a musical family in 1917 to Violin Maestro Vid. S. Ramaswami and Lakshmamma. He learnt violin from his father and accompanied many popular and prominent musicians. He used to play 7 stringed violin.

A B-High Grade artiste in Akashavani and Band Master in Palace Karnataka Band, he was the first music director for Mahatma Pictures in Sandalwood. Prominent music directors Rajan-Nagendra and Gunasingh were Shamanna's students. Under the music direction of Shamanna, many musicians such as Mysore Ananthaswami, Mumbai Amir Bai Karnataki and P.B. Srinivas have rendered many songs.

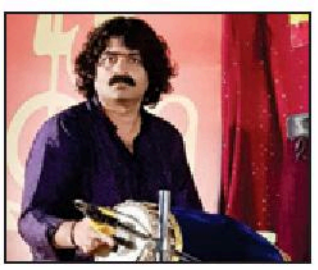
Shamanna always used to accompany P. Kalinga Rao on Violin and he has done enormous service to Gubbi Veeranna company. He was a music director for Venus Circus documentary film. Music Maestro Naushad awarded him the title 'Music Wizard.' Among his 7 children, he trained his daughter Rajalakshmi on Veena.

As Shamanna dedicated his whole life to music, a vocal concert in his memory will be held on Dec.15. One of the most popular violinists Vid. H.K. Narasimha Murthy and Mysore Akashavani A-top grade Mridanga artiste Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar will be felicitated. *Kala Sevaratna* K.V. Murthy and Akashavani, Mysuru Assistant Director H. Srinivas will be the chief guests.

At 6 pm, there will be a vocal concert by Vid. Vinay Sharva accompanied by Vid. K.T Uday Kiran on Violin, Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar on Mridanga and Vid.Sharath Kaushik on Ghata. All music-lovers are welcome, according to a press release from the organisers.



Vid. H.K.Narasimha Murthy



Vid. Tumkur B.Ravishankar

11th edition of Tour of Nilgiris

Kiran Kumar Raju, Katja crowned Kalhatti King and Queen

Kiran Kumar Raju, the Kalhatti King in action.

Ooty, Dec. 14- The 11th edition of Tour of Nilgiris (TfN), the annual epic tour of RideACycle Foundation (RAC-F), reached Udhagamandalam by pedalling 103 kms through Devershola, Masanagudi and the Kalhatti Ghat after starting from Mysuru and cycling through to Hassan, Madikeri and Sultan Bathery. Kiran Kumar Raju and Katja-Lill Jensen were crowned as the Kalhatti King and Queen respectively.

Moving forward, the TfN 2018 contingent will explore the hinterlands of Ooty, which will take them to Kundah dam before turning back to Ooty by climbing through Yedakad, Emerald Bazar and Fern Hill. The total distance pedalled on Day 6 will be 112 kms. On the penultimate day, the cyclists will pedal 147 kms from Ooty to reach Kalpetta passing through Pykara and Gudalur (through Naduvattam) enroute to Mysuru.

The grand tour will witness 110 cyclists, including 29 international and 18 women riders, pedal around 950 kms around the pristine Nilgiris Biosphere Reserve across Western Ghats, winding through Karnataka, Kerala and Tamil Nadu, between Dec. 9 and 16, 2018.

Kalhatti climb

The Kalhatti climb of 12 kms and 36 hairpin bends saw cyclists inch up 1,230 meters vertically. The fastest to complete the climb overall was K. Kiran Kumar Raju and among the women it was Katja-Lill Jensen and they were crowned the King and Queen of Kalhatti respectively.

Cyclists seen in action en route to Ooty in the 11th edition of the Tour of Nilgiris (TfN).

M. N. Krishna Rao Memorial Rapid chess tournament in city

Mysuru, Dec. 14- The Mysore Chess Centre will be hosting Sri. M.N. Krishna Rao Memorial Rapid Chess Tournament on Dec. 23 at Sri Kanteerava Narasimharaja Sports Club here.

The tournament will have a total cash prize of Rs.30,000 in Open category and 50 trophies will be given in various age categories. Last date for registration is Dec.21.

For registration, visit *mysorechess.in* or call Ph: 0821-4288437 or Mob: 81238-19220 or personally visit the Mysore Chess Centre Office #11, Swimming Pool Road, Opposite JSS Women's College, Saraswathipuram, Mysuru, according to a press release.

Four-day Invitation Cup

State-level Hockey Tournament in city from Dec. 20

Hockey Mysore President K.B. Dilip, flanked by Vice-President K.N. Muddaiah (right) and Secretary C.T. Satish, seen addressing a press meet at Patrakarthara Bhavan here this morning.

Harish Gowda

Pramoda Devi

Pratap Simha

L. Nagendra

Mysuru, Dec. 14 (PM&DM)- In an endeavour to promote the game of hockey, ***Hockey Mysore*** will be organising a four-day Invitation Cup State-level Hockey Tournament from Dec. 20 to 23 at University Hockey grounds (Maharaja's Grounds) in city.

Announcing this at a press meet at Patrakarthara Bhavan here this morning, Hockey Mysore President K.B. Dilip said that MCDCC Bank President G.D. Harish Gowda will inaugurate the tournament at 4 pm on Dec. 20. He said this was the biggest tournament taking place in city in the past 10 years and added that 12 district teams including Mysuru, Kodagu, Hassan, Dakshina Kannada, Gadag and Shivamogga have been invited to take part in the tournament.

Stating that league matches will be played on the first two days (Dec. 20 and 21) of the tournament, Dilip said that the semi-final matches will be played on Dec. 22 and finals on Dec. 23. **The valedictory and prize distribution will be held at 4 pm on Dec. 23.**

Pramoda Devi Wadiyar, MP Pratap Simha and MLA L. Nagendra will be the guests of honour. The tournament is expected to attract the best talents in mofussil districts.

He further said that all the teams will be provided accommodation and food. The top four teams will be presented cash prizes and trophies. The first prize winning team will get Rs. 1 lakh, the second prize winner Rs. 50,000, third prize winner Rs. 30,000 and 4th prize winner Rs. 20,000.

For details, call Mob: 97313-45718 or 98809-54860.

KSCA Inter-Zonal U-14 Tourney

Mysore Zone gains first innings points against Combined City XI

Bengaluru, Dec. 14- Mysore Zone with some excellent performances by Dhanush Gowda (five for 23 , 23 & 25 n.o), K.Kethan (69) and Akhil Kashyap (62) secured the vital first innings lead of 51-runs against Combined City XI in the two-day Group 'B' league tie played at Rajarajeshwari Medical College Grounds on Thursday.

Batting first, Mysore Zone scored 219 in 75.5 overs. Akhil Kashyap (62), K.Kethan (69), S. Dhanush Gowda (22) and S.Ishaan (21) were the scorers. Medium-pacers Sufiyaan Shariff (four for 51) and Rhitankar Basak (for for 32) were the wicket-takers for Combined City XI.

Combined City XI after being 91 for one at the close of play on day one were bowled out for 168 in 58.2 overs by Mysore zone bowlers. Leg-spinner S. Dhanush Gowda impressed by taking five wickets for 23 runs. He was well supported by medium-pacer Adarsh G. Puthraya who took three for 31.

Mysore Zone gained vital first innings lead of 51-runs. In the second innings, Mysore Zone scored 227 for nine in 64 overs, before play was called off. The match ended in a draw with Mysore Zone gaining three points for the first innings lead and Combined City Xi secured one point.

For Mysore Zone, Prajwal (21), skipper G. Rohit Gautham (56), M.S. Yashwanth (40) and S. Dhanush Gowda (25 n.o) were the scorers.

Rohit Iyengar too three for 24, while Arya Mudu (two for 33) and M.B. Shivam (two for 41) were also amongst the wickets.

Cane growers stage rasta-roko on Mysuru-Nanjangud Road

Mysuru, Dec.14 (PM&DM)- Seeking fulfilment of their demands, farmers under the banner of Karnataka Sugarcane Growers Association (KSGA) staged a rasta-roko on Ring Road junction near APMC Yard on Mysuru-Nanjangud Road yesterday.

Their demands included cut in cane transportation costs, announcement of ex-field price, FRP (Fair and Remunerative Price) instead of unscientific ex-gate price, payment of arrears and a share in cane by-products among others.

The irate farmers blocked the road for about 20 minutes, before the jurisdictional Vidyaranyapuram Police took them into custody and released them later.

Traffic on the busy road was disrupted up for sometime on account of rasta-roko. Association office-bearers Attahalli Devaraj, Bhagyaraj, Krishnegowda, P. Somashekar and others took part.

Mobile phone snatchers arrested

Ten cell phones worth about Rs. 1.16 lakh recovered

Mysuru, Dec.14 (KS) - Jayalakshmipuram Police, on Dec. 12 have arrested three persons on charges of snatching mobile phones from the public and have recovered 10 mobile phones of various brands worth about Rs. 1,16,490 from them.

The arrested have been identified as 21-year-old Dhanush of Koorgalli, 20-year-old Sachin of Belavadi and 22-year-old N. Nagesh of Hootagalli in city. All the three accused were arrested near a mobile phone repair shop at Paduvarahalli 6th Main Road here.

During interrogation, the accused are said to have confessed of snatching mobile phones from those talking over the phones on roads at various parts of the city. The accused used to come on two-wheelers, snatch the phones and flee from the spot. The owners of the recovered cell phones are to be traced.

DCP Dr. Vikram V. Amathe and N.R. Sub-Division ACP C. Gopal, supervised Jayalakshmipuram Inspector B.G. Prakash, ASI Jayaramu and staff Umesh, Ramesh, Shivamallu, Manjunath, T.M. Prashanth Kumar and Mayappa Karangavi in the nabbing and recovery operation, according to a press release from the Public Relations Officer (PRO), City Police Commissioner's office, Mysuru.

Property feud: Man commits suicide

Mysuru, Dec.14 (YDS&KS)- An alleged property feud between a mother and son resulted in the son committing suicide by hanging self at his mother's house in Aravindanagar here on Tuesday.

The deceased has been identified as Anil Kumar (45), a resident of Siddarthanagar in city.

According to Police, Anil had married Lakshmi about 18 years ago and the couple was residing in Siddarthanagar. There used to be frequent quarrels between Anil and his mother Rajalakshmi over property issue.

On Tuesday night, Anil had gone to his mother's house at Aravindanagar to ask his share of the property during which there was a fight between the two.

When his (Anil) mother went inside her room, Anil hanged himself from the ceiling fan in the hall using a saree.

Based on the complaint by Anil's wife, Kuvempunagar Police, have registered a case.

Link Aadhaar-Bank account for student scholarship

Mysuru, Dec.14 - The Social Welfare Department has asked pre and post-matric scholarship beneficiary students to link (SEED) Aadhaar number with their Bank account. The SEEDing is essential for Scheduled Caste (SC) community students who have applied online seeking student scholarship. For more details, visit the Department Office located in Government Boys Hostel premises, opposite Murugadevi temple, Nazarbad, Mysuru or call Ph: 0821-2520910.

Sacked sandalwood oil factory guards stage protest

Mysuru, Dec. 14 (PM&SR)- Over 13 sacked security guards of Sandalwood Oil Factory in city staged a protest outside the Office of Karnataka Soaps and Detergents Limited (KSDL), Manandawadi Road yesterday under the banner of Bahujan Samaj Party (BSP).

They shouted slogans against the authorities of KSDL seeking abolition of contract system while appointing security guards. They said that KSDL had removed more than 20 security guards who had been working in Mysuru division of KSDL from many years on the grounds of lack of qualification. Though State Tourism and Sericulture Minister S.R. Mahesh had given directions to authorities not to sack the guards, the authorities sacked them and had appointed an outsourcing agency to deploy guards, they said.

The protesters urged KSDL to continue their services based on their experience and humanitarian grounds. Later, they submitted a memorandum to KSDL Managing Director to look into their demands.

Ittigegud residents oppose bar

Mysuru, Dec.14 (MTY&DM)- Alleging that preparations were on for opening a bar and restaurant at a residential area in Ittigegud, residents of the locality under the banner of Ittigegud Citizens Welfare Committee staged a demonstration on Tuesday.

Addressing the residents, area Corporator Chayadevi said that Ittigegud is frequented by tourists who visit the Mysuru Zoo located in the area. Also, the road to the famous Chamundi Hill passes through the locality and thousands of tourists from across the country visit the area. As such, opening of a Bar and Restaurant in the area will not only inconvenience the tourists, but also have an adverse effect on the life of local residents, she said.

She urged the District Administration and the Excise Officials not to allow liquor bar in the locality in the better interest of local residents as well as tourists.

Leaders Mahesh, Mahadev and Mohammad led the protest.

Man forges signature of doctor, transfers Rs. 14.45 lakh from bank account

Mysuru, Dec.14 (YDS&KS) - A doctor has lodged a Police complaint, alleging that an unidentified person had forged his signature and has transferred lakhs of rupees from his bank account.

The doctor identified as Dr. Devaraj in his complaint lodged at Jayalakshmipuram Police Station, has stated that he has an account at Bank of Baroda, Gangotri Layout Branch. On Nov. 5, when he went to the bank and got his Pass Book updated, he had Rs.1,81,91,892 in his account and on further checking his Pass Book, he found that a total of Rs. 14.45 lakh was transferred from his account on various dates. On Sept. 11, Rs. 8.75 lakh was transferred using Cheque No. 27, on Sept. 27, Rs. 60,000 (Cheque No. 30) and on Oct. 18, Rs. 5 lakh was transferred using Cheque No. 29. The doctor has further stated that one Baburao had forged his signature and has transferred the money.

Obituary

K.S. Nagasundar

Mysuru, Dec.14 - K.S. Nagasundar (86), proprietor of Gayathri Printing Press, Agrahara, passed away in city recently.

He leaves behind his wife, one daughter, two sons and a host of relatives and friends.

His body was donated to JSS Medical College as per his wish, according to family sources.

Anila Adrienne Patrick

Anila Adrienne Patrick (60), retired teacher at Good Shepherd Convent High School, wife of John Zachariah (Joychen) and a resident of KHB Colony in R.S. Naidunagar, passed away yesterday at her residence in city.

Funeral mass will be held tomorrow (Dec.15) at Infant Jesus Shrine, Pushpashrama in R.S. Naidunagar followed by the funeral at the Catholic Cemetery on Mahadevapura Road in Gandhinagar.

Mallashetty (Mallaiah)

Mallashetty (87), a resident of Kumbarakoppal, passed away on Dec.8 in city.

He leaves behind five sons, five daughters and a host of relatives and friends.

Last rites were performed on Dec. 9 at Kumbarakoppal Burial Grounds.

City hoteliers receive 'Athithya Ratna' Award

Mysuru, Dec.14- City Hoteliers B. Hayavadan Acharya and K. Chandrashekar Hegde and Arasikere Hotelier B. Manjunath Mahale were conferred 'Athithya Ratna' award at a programme jointly organised by Karnataka Pradesh Hotel and Restaurant Owners Association (KPHRA) and Udupi District Hoteliers Association at Ajjarakadu Aroor Lakshminarayana Rao Memorial Town Hall in Udupi recently.

The award was conferred by Udupi Pejawar Mutt Seer Vishwesha Teertha Swamiji.

Udupi MLA K. Raghupathy Bhat, State Hotel Owners Association President B. Chandrashekar Hebbar and others were present.

SSLC exams to commence from March 21

Bengaluru, Dec. 14 - Karnataka Secondary Education and Examinations Board has announced the time table of SSLC exams which will commence from March 21 and conclude on April 4. The timetable has been hosted on the Karnataka Secondary Education and Examinations Board's website.

March 21: First Language (Kannada, Telugu, Hindi, Marathi, Tamil, Urdu, English or Sanskrit).

March 23: Core subjects and Economics (Elements of Mechanical and Electrical Engineering 2, Engineering Graphics 2, Elements of Electronics Engineering, Elements of Computer Science and Economics).

March 25: Mathematics and Sociology.

March 27: Second Language (English or Kannada).

March 29: Social Science.

April 2: Political Science, Carnatic and Hindustani Music and Science.

April 4: Third Language (Hindi, Arabic, Kannada, English, Persian, Urdu, Sanskrit, Konkani and Tulu) and NSFQ exams will be held on the same day.

For all subjects, students will be given 15 minutes extra time to read the paper. Also, one hour extra time would be given to differently abled candidates.

While the maximum marks for first language papers are 100, the other papers are for 80 marks.

Trade Unions to stage Nationwide stir on January 8 and 9

Mysuru, Dec.14 (SPN&DM)- Accusing the Centre of following an anti-labour policy, Trade Unions will stage a two-day Nationwide stir on Jan. 8 and 9.

Addressing a meeting of Mysuru District Committee of the Federation of Trade Unions at Town Hall in city recently, Trade Unions Leader L. Sheshadri said that the wrong policies of the Centre had hit the working class and common man hard.

As such, a host of Trade Unions which include All India Trade Union Congress (AITUC), All India United Trade Union Centre (AIUTUC), Centre of Indian Trade Unions (CITU), Indian National Trade Union Congress (INTUC) and All India Central Council of Trade Unions (AICCTU) have called for a nationwide stir on Jan.8 and 9 to protest the Centre's policies, he said.

Pointing out that the Trade Unions have been demanding minimum wages, abolition of contract system, equal pay for equal work, recognition of Trade Unions, social security, a hike in EPS pension and strengthening of public sector, among others, Sheshadri said that the Trade Unions strongly condemn the Centre's policies which favour corporates, while ignoring the working class.

Calming that Demonetisation led to the closure of 2.34 lakh small scale industries, with over 70 lakh people losing jobs across the country, he alleged that the Centre was twisting statistics to defend itself.

Accusing the Centre of amending Labour Laws in favour of employers, he alleged that the Centre's anti-labour and other wrong policies were severely affecting the lives of the common man. He said that the two-day stir on Jan.8 and 9, 2019 is aimed at warning the Centre against pursuing anti-people policies.

Trade Union leaders M. Shashidhar, K.N. Umesh, N.M. Muthappa and others attended the meeting.

Inauguration of Ahara Mela, Ranga Mandira tomorrow

Mysuru, Dec.14- The inauguration of newly-constructed P.S. Bhatta Bayalu Ranga Mandira, Ahara Mela and cultural programmes organised by Uttara Kannada District Samskrutika Sangha will held on Dec. 15 at the Sangha premises in Kuvempunagar.

Speaking to media persons here yesterday, Secretary of the Sangha Tejaswi Nayak said former President of the Sangha and retired Professor Krishna Manja Bhatta will inaugurate the events 5 pm. MLA S.A. Ramdas and Corporator M.C.Ramesh will be the chief guests. Former Presidents D.G. Sonde, Dr. S.N. Heggade and Krishna Manja Bhatta will be felicitated on the occasion.

The Bayalu Ranga Mandira has a seating capacity of 1,000 and will be given on rent for the public to hold cultural events.

The food festival will be held from 12 noon till 9.30 pm. Uttara Kannada, coastal and Malnad style meals, snacks, food items like *neer dosa, tellevu, kottekadabu, kesaribath, todedevu, atirasa, ottu shyavige* and other delicacies will be available.

Apart from this, there will be display and sale of *desi* natural products. Dr Shilpa Heggade and her team will perform various cultural events.

English Medium in Government Schools from next year: CM

Belagavi, Dec.14- Chief Minister H.D. Kumaraswamy (HDK) has said that the Government will start English Medium classes in 1,000 Government Schools in the State from the next academic year (2019-20) .

Replying to a question by Umanatha Kotian (BJP) in the Assembly on Tuesday, Kumaraswamy said that the Government has already started training teachers in this regard and added that the teachers are trained by Regional Institute of English.

He further said that the Government has already recruited 1,715 English teachers and is in the process of recruiting 1,000 more.

The textbooks, audio and video kits and e-learning units are being readied by the Directorate of Educational Research and Training, he added.

Replying to a question by BJP MLA Suresh Kumar, Kumaraswamy said that there are 3,919 Govt. Schools with an enrolment rate of less than 10 percent.

However, the Government is trying to improve the rate by starting various programmes, which included starting English Medium and providing incentives to students.

Replying to another question by H. Halappa of the BJP, the CM said that the Government was in the process of recruiting 1,204 lecturers for Government PU Colleges through the Karnataka Examinations Authority (KEA). Besides, the process to fill up 1,512 vacancies is on, Kumaraswamy added.

Teaching profession is a novel one: KSOU VC

Mysuru, Dec.14- Maintaining that teaching profession is one among the noblest profession, Karnataka State Open University (KSOU) Vice-Chancellor Prof. D. Shivalingaiah said that teaching also brings satisfaction to the soul.

He was speaking after inaugurating a 30-day K-SET and UGC-NET Coaching Camp organised by KSOU at the Competitive Exams Coaching Centre in Manasagangothri in city recently.

Pointing out that studies should not only be aimed at exams but also become a tool for transformation for the better, he said that learning cannot be more significant than when we use it for the betterment of the society.

KSOU Registrar Prof. B. Ramesh, Dean (Academic) Dr. Jagadish, Finance Officer Dr. A. Khader Pasha, Registrar (Evaluation) Dr. M.S. Ramanand, Coordinator Dr. R.H. Pavithra and others were present.

WORD OF THE DAY

Galumph

Pronunciation: Guh-LUMF.
Meaning: To move with a clumsy heavy tread.

Origin: Bump, thump, thud. There's no doubt about it—when someone or something galumphs onto the scene, ears take notice. Galumph first lumbered onto the English scene in 1872 when Lewis Carroll used the word to describe the actions of the vanquisher of the Jabberwock in Through the Looking Glass: "He left it dead, and with its head / He went galumphing back." Etymologists suspect Carroll created galumph by altering the word gallop, perhaps throwing in a pinch of triumphant for good measure (in its earliest uses, galumph did convey a sense of exultant bounding). Other 19th-century writers must have liked the sound of galumph, because they began plying it in their own prose, and it has been clumping around our language ever since.
Example: Lizards patrol the larval landscape, and giant tortoises galumph on the beaches.

THE ODD WORD

Gasconade

Extravagant boasting.

PHRASE OF THE DAY

Ginned up

Meaning: Drunk; by drinking gin or other alcoholic drink. Alternatively; enlivened.

Origin: Gin has been used as a verb with several meanings:
To start - clearly a synonym of 'begin'. This is old and is cited in Wycliffe's Bible, 1382. In New England when a man is drunk he is "on a tool," in Chicago he is "on a hoo-rah," in St. Louis he "has a dash too much up his nose," in Kansas City he is "ginned up for all that's out;" in St. Joe, "the benzine has the upper hold;" in Omaha "he's on it bigger'n an Injun."
Clearly with so many meanings of the word, any of which could be the source of 'gin up', the derivation isn't straightforward. The last two meanings of gin given above both have traceable links to 'gin up'. Apart from the use of the word gin, they appear to be unconnected.
Example: The Phillies organization has been working hard to gin up a tide of nostalgia for the last season.

QUOTE BOX

In order to be irreplaceable one must always be different.

— Coco Chanel

RIDDLE THIS

Solve this rebus:

Answer: Bucket list.

SUDOKU

	7	4						3
			9			7		
	2				3			
6	1				5			
		9	6		8	3		
			4				8	1
			1				2	
		7			9			
8						9	6	

Answer to previous puzzle

1	8	5	7	3	6	2	9	4
2	6	7	1	9	4	5	3	8
4	9	3	5	2	8	7	1	6
5	3	8	6	7	2	1	4	9
9	2	4	3	1	5	8	6	7
6	7	1	4	8	9	3	2	5
7	4	9	2	5	3	6	8	1
3	5	6	8	4	1	9	7	2
8	1	2	9	6	7	4	5	3

Sudoku is a number-placing puzzle based on a 9x9 grid with several given numbers. The object is to place the numbers 1 to 9 in the empty squares so that each row, each column and each 3x3 box contains the same number only once. The difficulty level of the Concept is Sudoku increases from Monday to Sunday.

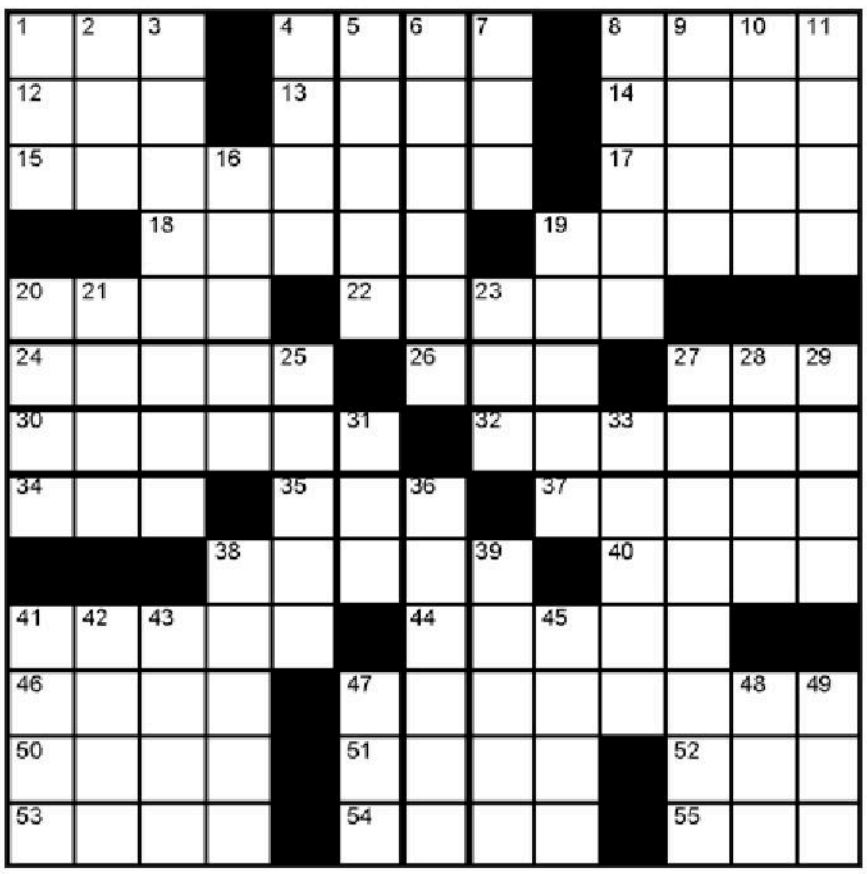
CROSS WORD

ACROSS:
1 Girl's name
4 Furry dog Lhasa ____
8 The friendly pirate in 'Peter Pan'
12 Debtor's note
13 A window ___ : ledge?
14 Eagle's nest
15 Depressed
17 Hotelier from TV serial 'Allo 'Allo?
18 Incensed
19 Gathered leaves
20 The second Greek letter
22 Chatshowhostess___Winfrey
24 Opened one's eyes
26 Weep convulsively
27 H Rider Haggard's heroine?
30 To this place
32 Struck heavily
34 Attempt or essay
35 King's title, for short
37 Bronze medal position
38 Violin's ancestor
40 Italian island
41 More chaste or clean
44 Indigenous or parochial?
46 __ __ arms : riled? (2,2)
47 Small birds
50 Frame of mind
51 Coarse stiff hair
52 Actress ___ Peeples
53 Hill dwellers
54 Child's bed
55 Animal sanctuary in Gujarat?

YESTERDAY'S ANSWER:

B	S	E	S	■	A	M	U	■	S	P	A	M
I	O	T	A	■	T	E	S	S	E	R	A	E
T	H	O	U	G	H	T	S	T	R	E	A	M
T	O	N	N	E	■	■	R	A	M	S	■	■
■	■	■	A	T	N	■	■	T	O	T	E	S
B	E	A	■	D	E	T	A	I	N	I	N	G
O	P	T	■	R	H	I	N	O	■	G	O	T
W	E	T	S	E	A	S	O	N	■	E	S	S
S	E	E	P	S	■	■	N	E	D	■	■	■
■	■	M	I	S	T	■	R	O	A	C	H	■
R	E	P	R	E	H	E	N	S	I	B	L	E
U	N	T	I	D	I	L	Y	■	N	E	E	R
B	E	S	T	■	S	I	X	■	G	L	O	B

DOWN
1 Electronic Instrument Sys.
2 Voice of America
3 Of hearing
4 On the briny
5 American piebald horse
6 Naps or reposes
7 ___ maid : an elderly or confirmed spinster ?
8 "A rash" anagram for a girl's name?
9 Mild and humble
10 Flying fish eater?
11 Looked at keenly
16 Sir Francis ___ : the great xplorer?
19 Capital of Morocco
20 Thailand money
21 Old fashioned or Biblical jug or pitcher
23 Steal from
25 An anaesthetic
27 Capital of Meghalaya
28 Tansy or thyme
29 Scandinavian books
31 Sphere for a sovereign?
33 Clip wool
36 One who will assist?
38 Tears or wrenches forcibly
39 Raccoon relative
41 Cougar
42 On
43 Uprising
45 Sourpuss shellfish!
47 Tenth std. exams
48 Nintendo gaming console
49 Some Assembly Required



CRYPTOQUIP

The Cryptoquip is a substitution cipher in which one letter stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Single letters, short words and words using an apostrophe give you clues to locating vowels. Solution is by trial and error.

PRGXJ ORG VGH'P CHGO RGO PG OJJS OEPR PRJEQ

ORGAJ RJTQP, VGH'P CHGO RGO PG ATFNR JEPRJQ

TODAY'S CLUE: V EQUALS D

Yesterday's Cryptoquip: Every human is an artist. The dream of your life is to make beautiful art.

NOW SHOWING

Movie	Theatre	Phone	Shows
KANNADA			
Viraaj	Sangam	2520494	4 Shows
Orange	Woodlands	2422871	4 Shows
	Gayathri	2443568	4 Shows
Bhairava Geetha	Saraswathi	2541451	4 Shows
Sedu	Lido	2420885	4 Shows
Rangada Hudugaru	Lakshmi	2443584	4 Shows
Aranyani	Olympia	2420737	4 Shows
ENGLISH			
Aquaman	Sri Nagaraj	2520490	4 Shows
	Sterling	2481170	4 Shows
HINDI			
Roar	Balaji Deluxe	2497199	4 Shows
Metric Pass 3	Uma	2520009	4 Shows
TELUGU			
Odiyan	Rajkamal	2423554	4 Shows
TAMIL			
Johnny	Padma	2521923	4 Shows
	Mahadeshwara	9986022634	4 Shows
2.0 (3D)	Shanthala	2427584	4 Shows
2.0 (2D)	Skyline	2481170	4 Shows
	Thibbadevi	2452958	4 Shows
Sarkar	Prabha	2423569	4 Shows

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Aquaman (3D-E)	(S-1)	10.30 am, 1.30 pm
		7.00 pm, 9.55 pm
Spider-Man (3D-E)	(S-1)	4.30 pm
	(S-2)	9.55 pm
	(S-4)	10.30 am
Viraaj (K)	(S-2)	10.45 am
Thuppakki Munai (Ta)	(S-2)	4.45 pm
Ben Is Back (E)	(S-2)	7.30 pm
Odiyan (Ma)	(S-3)	10.30 am, 9.50 pm
	(S-4)	9.55 pm
Orange (K)	(S-3)	1.45 pm, 7.00 pm
Kedarnath (H)	(S-3)	4.30 pm
2.0 (2D-Ta)	(S-4)	1 pm, 4 pm, 6.55 pm

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Spider-Man (3D-E)	(S-1)	1.20 pm, 6.55 pm
Spider-Man (2D-E)	(S-2)	10.10 am
Aquaman (2D-E)	(S-2)	12.45 pm, 6.50 pm
Kedarnath (H)	(S-4)	9.40 pm
2.0 (2D-Ta)	(S-3)	9.55 pm
2.0 (2D-H)	(S-3)	10.00 am; (S-2) 3.45 pm
Odiyan (Ma)	(S-4)	10.30 am
	(S-3)	6.35 pm
	(S-2)	9.50 pm
Orange (K)	(S-3)	3.40 pm
Thuppakki Munai (Ta)	(S-3)	1.00 pm
Aranyani (K)	(S-4)	1.50 pm
Sedu (K)	(S-4)	4.15 pm
Viraaj (K)	(S-4)	6.55 pm

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Odiyan (Ma)	9.15 am, 3.15 pm, 9.55 pm
Spider-Man: Into The Spider-Verse (E)	9.30 am
Spider-Man: Into The Spider-Verse (3D-E)	1.35 pm, 7.20 pm
2.0 (H)	10.05 am, 6.40 pm
2.0 (Ta)	12.45 pm
Aquaman (3D-E)	10.30 am, 4.15 pm, 10 pm
Aquaman (E)	12.10 pm, 6.45 pm
Orange (K)	1.20 pm
Kedarnath (H)	4.00 pm, 9.50 pm
Viraaj (K)	4.20 pm
Thuppakki Munai (Ta)	7.10 pm
Aranyani (K)	10.00 pm

NOTE: Movie timings published here are subject to sudden change by the theatre managements. The films are also liable to be changed in multiplexes if there are no minimum audience of 15 to the film announced here.

EVENTS TODAY (DEC.14)

Arsha Vidya Ashrama: Discourse on 'Bhagavad Gita' by Sri Chidrupananda Saraswati Swamiji, Sadvidya School, Narayana Shastri Road, **6.30 pm.**

District Police: Valedictory of Annual Sports Meet, IGP (Southern Range) K.V. Sharath Chandra chief guest, DAR Grounds, Jyothinagar, **4 pm.**

Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala: Annual Day (2018-19), BEO - Mysuru South Shivakumar chief guest, Vijaya Vittala Educational Institutions Hon. Secretary R. Vasudev Bhat presides, School premises, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm.**

Prajapita Brahma Kumari Ishwariya Vishwavidyalaya: Bhagavad Gita Jayanti Mahotsava-2018, discourse on 'Geeta Jnana - Yashasvi Jeevana' by BK Rashmi, #79, Swamimabhavan, M-Block, near Umamaheshwari Temple, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm to 7.30 pm.**

PGL Samsmarana Vedike: 12th Annual PGL Memorial Music Concert, Karnatak Music Vocal Concert by Vidu. G.N. Nagamani Srinath accompanied by Vid. N. N. Ganeshkumar on violin, Vid. B.C. Manjunath and Vid. Sunad Anoor on khanjira, Vasudevacharya Bhavana, Sri Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **6 pm.**

The Institution of Engineers-India (IEI), Mysuru Local Centre: National Fuel Conservation Day, technical talk on 'Importance of conserving energy' by D.N. Kavya, Senior Executive - Facilities (Energy), Infosys Ltd., Mysuru, IEI Mysuru Chairman Dr. R. Suresh presides, Hon. Secretary D.K. Dinesh Kumar will be present, S.P. Bhat Hall, Institution premises, **6 pm.**

Karnataka Exhibition Authority: Sobane Pada by Doddatayamma, **6.30 pm;** Dance by Chitra Biligiri, **7 pm;** Orchestra by N. Chandrashekar, P. Kalingarao Gana Mantapa, Exhibition Grounds **8 pm.**

Ganabharathi: Nritya Roopaka "Sri Ramanuja Dhanurdasa Vaibhavam" by Vid. Badari Divya Bhooshan and Troupe, Veene Seshanna Bhavana, Kuvempunagar, **6 pm.**

EVENTS TOMORROW (DEC.15)

District Brahmin Association: Two-day Mysore City and District-level Brahmin Convention - Various cultural and religious programmes, discussions and interactions, CM H.D. Kumaraswamy inaugurates, Pejawar Seer Sri Visvesha Theertha Swamiji, Parakala Mutt Seer Sri Swatantra Abhinavagheesha Brahmatantra Swatantra Swamiji, Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji, junior pontiff Sri Vijayananda Swamiji will grace the occasion, KPCC President Dinesh Gundu Rao and Revenue Minister R.V. Deshpande will release the souvenir, MLAs S.A. Ramdas and Suresh Kumar, K.N. Narayanaswamy, U.B. Venkatesh, former MLA Y.S.V. Dutta and others will be present, Akhila Karnataka Brahmana Mahasabha President K.N. Venkatanarayan presides, Ganapathy Sachchidananda Ashrama premises, Nanjangud Road, **from 10 am onwards.**

District Administration and Dept. of Public Instructions: State-level Prathiba Karanji and Kalotsava, CM Kumaraswamy inaugurates, KSOU campus, **11 am.**

Department of Business Administration, Vidyavardhaka College of Engineering, Mysuru and Dhyandeep HCM Corporate Training Centre, Bengaluru: Three-Day Executive Development Programme on "Human Resource Information System, MBA Block, College premises, **9.30 am to 10.30 pm.**

Arsha Vidya Ashrama: Discourse on 'Upanishad' by Sri Chidrupananda Saraswati Swamiji, Eshwara Temple's Shankara Prathana Mandira, V.V. Puram, **7 am;** Discourse on 'Bhagavad Gita' by Sri Chidrupananda Saraswati Swamiji, Sadvidya School, Narayana Shastri Road, **6.30 pm.**

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JSS Public School: Valedictory of *Manasadhara Fest*, 24th Annual Day Celebrations, Suttur Seer Sri Shivarathri Deshikendra Swamiji graces the occasion, JSS Mahavidyapeetha Secretary-1 S.P. Manjunath presides, Rashmi Kaujalgi of *Andolana* chief guest; Dr. Anand of B.N. Bahadur Institute of Management Sciences delivers a valedictory address; School premises, J.P. Nagar, **5.30 pm.**

Inner Wheel District 318, India: *Hrudaya Sangama* - 49th Inner Wheel District 318 Conference, Paediatric Cardiologist Dr. Vijayalakshmi Balekundri inaugurates, Rtn. Abhinandan A. Shetty, Governor, Rotary International District 3182, releases souvenir, Shubhodini Convention Centre, Outer Ring Road, Hebbal, **5 pm.**

Chinmaya Vidyalaya: Annual Day, Ln. Nagaraj V. Bairy, 1st Vice-District Governor for Lions District 317A, chief guest, Vidyalaya Chairperson Ramadevi Ramatheertha and Director K. Mangala, guests of honour, Chairman H.N. Ramatheertha presides, Vidyalaya premises, Jayalakshmipuram, **10.30 am.**

Chinmaya Mission: Datta Jayanti Mahotsava, Sri Guru Charithre Parayanai, Mission premises, 6th Main Gokulam 3rd Stage, **9 am;** Gita Jnana Yajna by Swami Aparajitananda on Bhagavad Gita, Abhinava Shankaralaya, Sri Sringeri Shankar Mutt, Fort Mohalla, **6.30 pm to 8 pm.**

Vijaya Vittala Vidyashala: Annual Day for LKG to 4th std., Sri Vishwesha Teertha Swamiji and Sri Ganapathy Sachchidananda Swamiji graces the occasion, Chairman R. Guru presides, School premises, Saraswathipuram, **5 pm.**

Jnanodaya PU College: 7th Annual Day, Sri Bharathi Theertha Swamiji and Sri Vidhushekhara Bharathi Swamiji graces the occasion, KSOU VC Prof. D. Shivalingaiah, chief guest, Sringeri Sri Sharada Peetam Administrator Dr. V.R. Gowrishankar presides, College premises, Saraswathipuram, **5.30 pm.**

Police Public School: 10th Annual Day celebrations, C.V. Gopinath, former Additional Secretary, Government of India, inaugurates first session, Dr. A. Subramanyeswara Rao, City Police Commissioner, presides, Amit Singh, SP, guest of honour, **9.30 am;** Second Session- International Athlete Arjun Devaiah Theethamada inaugurates, Southern Range IGP K.V. Sharath Chandra presides, Amit Singh, SP, guest of honour; Karnataka Police Academy auditorium, Jalapuri, **5 pm.**

Sri Ramakrishna Ashrama: Swami Ishtanathananda speaks on 'Atmabodha', Ashrama premises, Yadavagiri, **6 pm.**

Raaga Music Academy: Wellness and Music programme, Talk on healthy living through Ayurveda and Yoga by Prajna Kuteera Ayurveda Centre Director Dr. N. V. Krishnamurthy, Saxophone recital by Vid. Mysore Harish Pandav accompanied by Vid. Surup Thathachar on violin, Vid. Vishnuvardhana on mridanga and Vid. Vikram Bharadwaj on ghata, Prajna Kuteera Ayurveda Centre, Vishwamanava Double Road, Kuvempungar, **5.30 pm.**

DMS (Demonstration Multipurpose School): 10th Global DMS Alumni get-together, Hotel Roost, Hunsur Road, **6 pm.**

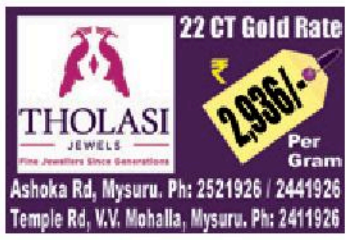
Sri Andal Mandiram Trust: Shantha Narasimhan Memorial Concert, Veena recital by Vidu. M.K. Saraswathi, Trust premises, Temple Road, V.V. Puram, **6 pm.**

Rangayana: Staging of the play *'Nenapadalu Shakuntale'*, directed by S. Ramanath, Bhoomigeetha auditorium, Rangayana premises, **6.30 pm.**

Sugama Sangeetha Academy Trust: *'Namma Habbagalu: Drushya-Kavya,'* instrumental assistance by S. Vishwanath on mandolin, Shanmukha Sajja on keyboard, Atmaram on tabla and H.L. Ananthakrishnaswami on rhythm pad, direction by S. Nagaratna, Prathibha Gururaj and H.R. Leelavati; singer Deepika Pandurangi inaugurates, former Mayor Modamani chief guest, Trust President K.V. Murthy presides, Academy founder H.R. Leelavathi will be present, Vasudevacharya Bhavan, Nadabrahma Sangeetha Sabha, JLB Road, **5.30 pm.**

Music Programme: Nadaranjani memorial music event as part of Birth Centenary of violin maestro Vid. P. Shamanna; felicitation to violinist Vid. H.K.Narasimha Murthy and Mridanga artiste Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar; Mysuru Akashavani Assistant Director H. Srinivas chief guest, art patron K.V. Murthy presides; vocal concert by Vid. Vinay Sharva accompanied by Vid. Dr. K.T Uday Kiran on Violin, Vid. Tumkur B. Ravishankar on Mridanga and Vid.Sharath Kaushik on Ghata, Bidaram Krishnappa Ramamandira, **5.30 pm**

Sabarimala Sri Ayyappa Puja Samiti, and Sri Guruvayurappan Temple: 58th Annual celebrations, special pujas **4.50 am to 12 noon**, Maha Annadadanam **12 to 3 pm;** Palakkombu procession, **3.30 pm to 7 pm;** Devotional songs by Mysore Rangaswamy and Party, **6 pm;** Palkindi Procession, Konda and Mangalam, temple premises, foot of Chamundi Hill, **12 midnight.**



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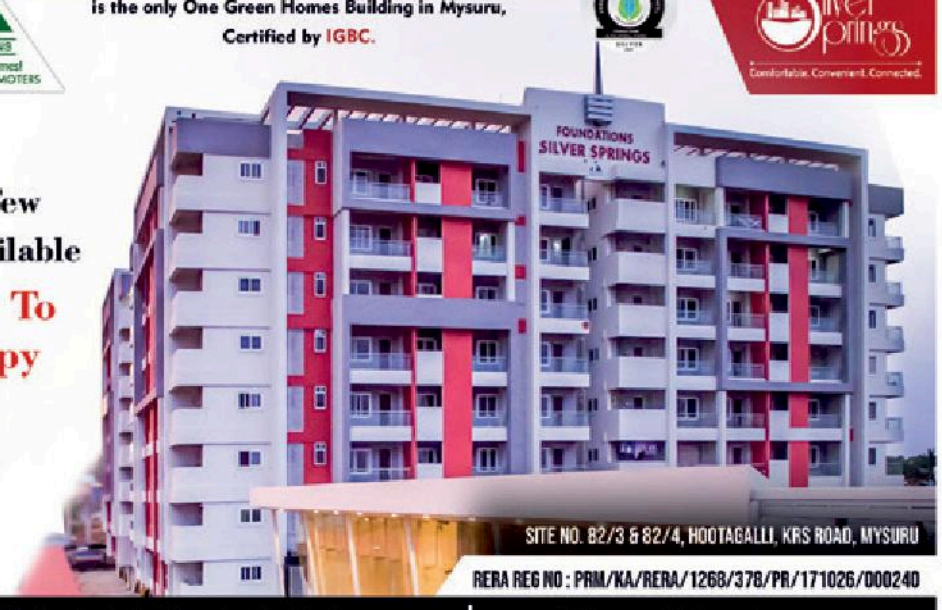

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